Representative Hall, Atlanta, Georgia

Tuesday, March 18, 2014

Thirty-Ninth Legislative Day

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

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

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

Due to a mechanical malfunction, Representative McClain of the 100th was not recorded on the attendance roll call. He wished to be recorded as present.

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

Representatives Anderson of the 92nd, Bryant of the 162nd, Dollar of the 45th, Drenner of the 85th, Dukes of the 154th, Gardner of the 57th, Jacobs of the 80th, Jordan of the 77th, Mayo of the 84th, Oliver of the 82nd, Parrish of the 158th, Smith of the 134th, Talton of the 147th, and Weldon of the 3rd.

They wished to be recorded as present.

Prayer was offered by Reverend Dr. Jim Higgins, Senior Pastor, Aldersgate United Methodist Church, Augusta, Georgia.

The members pledged allegiance to the flag.

Representative Cheokas of the 138th, Chairman of the Committee on Information and Audits, reported that the Journal of the previous legislative day had been read and found to be correct.

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

The Journal was confirmed.

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

1. Introduction of Bills and Resolutions.

2. First reading and reference of House Bills and Resolutions.

3. Second reading of Bills and Resolutions.

4. Reports of Standing Committees.

5. Third reading and passage of Local uncontested Bills.

6. First reading and reference of Senate Bills and Resolutions.

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

HB 1148. By Representative Drenner of the 85th:

A BILL to be entitled an Act to amend Article 8 of Chapter 3 of Title 22 and Title 46 of the O.C.G.A., relating to electric transmission lines and public utilities and public transportation, respectively, so as to provide for evaluation of electromagnetic field levels and protection of the transmission and distribution systems against damage from an electromagnetic pulse or a geomagnetic storm; to provide for related matters; to repeal conflicting laws; and for other purposes.

Referred to the Committee on Energy, Utilities & Telecommunications.

HB 1149. By Representatives Chandler of the 105th, Clark of the 98th, Barr of the 103rd, Quick of the 117th, Duncan of the 26th and others:

A BILL to be entitled an Act to amend Part 14 of Article 6 of Chapter 2 of Title 20 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to certain programs and activities under the "Quality Basic Education Act," so as to provide that no high school which receives funding under the "Quality Basic Education Act" shall participate in or sponsor interscholastic sports events conducted by any athletic association that prohibits home study students from participating in athletic events as a member of a team of a public school; to provide for related matters; to repeal conflicting laws; and for other purposes.

Referred to the Committee on Education.

HB 1150. By Representative Moore of the 22nd:

A BILL to be entitled an Act to amend Code Section 28-5-42 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to introduction of bills having significant impact upon anticipated revenues or expenditures and furnishing fiscal notes, so as to provide that any member may request a fiscal note for any bill or resolution which he or she believes to have a significant impact on state revenues; to repeal conflicting laws; and for other purposes.

Referred to the Committee on Budget and Fiscal Affairs Oversight.

HB 1151. By Representatives Moore of the 22nd, Caldwell of the 20th, Pezold of the 133rd, Gregory of the 34th and Chapman of the 167th:

A BILL to be entitled an Act to amend Code Section 12-6-17 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to the regulation of controlled burning where drought or other conditions exist, so as to provide for a short title; to

provide for legislative findings; to provide that any such regulation shall be based on empirical evidence and not upon a season or calendar period; to provide for related matters; to repeal conflicting laws; and for other purposes.

Referred to the Committee on Natural Resources & Environment.

HB 1152. By Representatives Clark of the 98th and Beverly of the 143rd:

A BILL to be entitled an Act to amend Article 2 of Chapter 2 of Title 26 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to adulteration and misbranding of food, so as to require the labeling of genetically engineered food; to provide for definitions; to provide for exceptions; to provide for rules and regulations; to provide for penalties; to provide for notice; to provide for related matters; to provide for contingent effectiveness; to repeal conflicting laws; and for other purposes.

Referred to the Committee on Agriculture & Consumer Affairs.

HR 1829. By Representatives Ramsey of the 72nd, Howard of the 124th, Watson of the 166th, Abrams of the 89th, Hatchett of the 150th and others:

A RESOLUTION encouraging the Department of Community Health and the Department of Public Health to collaborate and develop a report of Georgia's strategic action steps to prevent and control diabetes; and for other purposes.

Referred to the Committee on Health & Human Services.

HR 1830. By Representatives Powell of the 32nd, Atwood of the 179th, Taylor of the 173rd, Lumsden of the 12th, Glanton of the 75th and others:

A RESOLUTION creating the House Study Committee on For-Hire Transportation Services; and for other purposes.

Referred to the Committee on Public Safety & Homeland Security.

HR 1861. By Representative Moore of the 22nd:

A RESOLUTION amending the Rules of the House of Representatives; and for other purposes.

Referred to the Committee on Rules.

HR 1862. By Representative Moore of the 22nd:

A RESOLUTION amending the Rules of the House of Representatives; and for other purposes.

Referred to the Committee on Rules.

HR 1863. By Representative Moore of the 22nd:

A RESOLUTION amending the Rules of the House of Representatives; and for other purposes.

Referred to the Committee on Rules.

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

HB 1154. By Representatives Jacobs of the 80th, Fleming of the 121st, Mabra of the 63rd, Evans of the 42nd, Willard of the 51st and others:

A BILL to be entitled an Act to amend Title 7 and Chapter 5 of Title 18 of the O.C.G.A., relating to banking and finance and debtor and creditor, respectively, so as to enact a new chapter in Title 7, to regulate debt resolution service providers and repeal Chapter 5, relating to debt adjustments; to provide for related matters; to provide for effective dates; to repeal conflicting laws; and for other purposes.

Referred to the Committee on Judiciary.

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

HR 1804	HR 1805
HR 1828	HR 1831
HR 1832	SB 389

Representative Tankersley of the 160th District, Chairman of the Committee on Intragovernmental Coordination, submitted the following report:

Mr. Speaker:

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

HB 1147 Do Pass
SB 423 Do Pass

Respectfully submitted,
/s/ Tankersley of the 160th
Chairman

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

HOUSE RULES CALENDAR
TUESDAY, MARCH 18, 2014

Mr. Speaker and Members of the House:

The Committee on Rules has fixed the calendar for this 39th Legislative Day as enumerated below:

DEBATE CALENDAR

Open Rule

None

Modified Open Rule

HR 1265 House Study Committee on Autonomous Vehicle Technology; create (Substitute)(S&T-Kelley-16th)
HR 1655 Congress; protect and defend the Constitution of the United States; request (Judy-Kirby-114th)

Modified Structured Rule

SB 383 Coroners; items of value of the deceased shall not be converted to the coroner/medical examiner's personal use (Substitute)(JudyNC-Pak-108th) Davis-22nd

Structured Rule

None

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

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

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

HB 1147. By Representative Knight of the 130th:

A BILL to be entitled an Act to provide for a new charter for the City of Orchard Hill; to provide for specific repealer; to repeal conflicting laws; and for other purposes.

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

SB 423. By Senator Shafer of the 48th:

A BILL to be entitled an Act to amend an Act to provide a new charter for the City of Berkeley Lake, approved April 9, 1999 (Ga. L. 1999, p. 3636), as amended, so as to change the number of councilmembers required for a quorum with the mayor; to provide that the mayor pro tempore may vote in the event of a tie when presiding in the mayor's absences; to reaffirm the current city boundary; to provide for related matters; to provide an effective date; to repeal conflicting laws; and for other purposes.

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

By unanimous consent, the following Bill of the House was taken up for the purpose of considering the Senate action thereon:

HB 1105. By Representative Pruett of the 149th:

A BILL to be entitled an Act to repeal the amendment to the Constitution of Georgia providing that the county officers of Telfair County shall be ineligible to hold office under certain conditions; to provide for a referendum with respect to the effectiveness of the foregoing; to provide for contingent effective dates; to repeal conflicting laws; and for other purposes.

The following Senate substitute was read:

A BILL TO BE ENTITLED
AN ACT

To repeal the amendment to the Constitution of Georgia providing that the county officers of Telfair County shall be ineligible to hold office under certain conditions; to provide for legislative intent; to provide for a referendum with respect to the effectiveness of the foregoing; to provide for contingent effective dates; to repeal conflicting laws; and for other purposes.

BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF GEORGIA:

SECTION 1.

The amendment to the Constitution of Georgia providing that the county officers of Telfair County shall be ineligible to hold office under certain circumstances, which amendment was proposed by 1963 House Resolution No. 102-230, Resolution Act No. 76 (Ga. L. 1963, p. 705) and was continued in force and effect by an Act approved March 25, 1986 (Ga. L. 1986, p. 4527), is hereby repealed.

SECTION 2.

The election superintendent of Telfair County shall call and conduct an election as provided in this section for the purpose of submitting this Act to the electors of Telfair County for approval or rejection. The election superintendent shall conduct such election on the date of the 2014 General Election and shall issue the call and conduct such election as provided by general law. The superintendent shall cause the date and purpose of the election to be published once a week for two weeks immediately preceding the date thereof in the official organ of Telfair County. The ballot shall have written or printed thereon the words:

"( ) YES Shall the Act be approved which repeals the amendment to the
( ) NO Constitution of Georgia that provides that the county officers of Telfair County shall be ineligible to succeed themselves after serving two successive terms?"

All persons desiring to vote for approval of the Act shall vote "Yes," and all persons desiring to vote for rejection of the Act shall vote "No." If more than one-half of the votes cast on such question are for approval of the Act, Section 1 of this Act shall become of full force and effect immediately. If this Act is not so approved or if the election is not conducted as provided in this section, Section 1 of this Act shall not become effective, and this Act shall be automatically repealed immediately. The expense of such election shall be borne by Telfair County. It shall be the election superintendent's duty to certify the result thereof to the Secretary of State.

SECTION 3.

In repealing this local constitutional amendment, it is the intent of the General Assembly to remove the term limits for the county officers of Telfair County who are the sheriff, the clerk of superior court, the judge of the probate court, and the tax commissioner. It is not the intent of the General Assembly to affect the term limitations for the members of the Board of Commissioners of Telfair County who shall remain subject to the term limit provisions of Section 20 of an Act approved June 3, 2003 (Ga. L. 2003, p. 3992), as amended. Consequently, it is the intent of the General Assembly to leave intact the consent order in the case of Clark v. Telfair County, Georgia, Commission, Civil Action No. CV 387-25, United States District Court for the Southern District of Georgia, Dublin Division, filed October 26, 1988.

SECTION 4.

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

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

On the passage of the Bills, and on the agreement to the Senate substitute, the roll call was ordered and the vote was as follows:

Y Abrams	Y Coomer	Y Gregory	Y McCall	Sims, C
Y Alexander	Y Cooper	Y Hamilton	Y McClain	Y Smith, E
Y Allison	Y Dawkins-Haigler	Y Harbin	Y Meadows	Y Smith, L
Y Anderson	Y Deffenbaugh	Y Harden	E Mitchell	Smith, M
Y Atwood	Y Dempsey	Y Harrell	Y Moore	Y Smith, R
Y Ballinger	Y Dickerson	Y Hatchett	Morgan	Y Smyre
Y Barr	Y Dickey	Y Hawkins	Y Morris	Y Spencer
Y Battles	Y Dickson	E Henson	Y Mosby	Y Stephens, M
Beasley-Teague	Dollar	Y Hightower	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 Stover
Y Benton	Dukes	Y Holt	Y Pak	Y Strickland
Beverly	Y Dunahoo	Y Houston	Y Parrish	Y Talton
Y Black	Y Duncan	Y Howard	Y Parsons	Y Tankersley
Y Braddock	Y Dutton	Y Hugley	Y Peake	Y Tanner
Y Broadrick	Y Efstration	Jackson	Y Pezold	Y Tarvin
Y Brockway	Y Ehrhart	Y Jacobs	Y Powell, A	Y Taylor, D
Y Brooks	Y England	Y Jasperse	Y Powell, J	Y Taylor, T
Y Bruce	Epps, C	Y Jones, J	Y Prince	Y Teasley
Y Bryant	Y Epps, J	Y Jones, L	Y Pruett	Y Thomas, A.M.
Y Buckner	Y Evans	Y Jones, S	Y Quick	Y Turner
Y Burns	Y Fleming	Jordan	Y Ramsey	Y Waites
Y Caldwell, J	Floyd	Y Kaiser	Y Randall	Y Watson, B
Y Caldwell, M	Y Fludd	Y Kelley	Y Rice	Y Watson, S
Y Carson	Y Frazier	Y Kendrick	Y Riley	Y Welch
Y Carter	Y Frye	Y Kidd	Y Roberts	Y Weldon
Y Casas	Y Fullerton	Y Kirby	Y Rogers, C	Y Wilkerson
Y Chandler	Y Gardner	Y Knight	Y Rogers, T	Y Wilkinson

Y Channell	Y Gasaway	Lindsey	Y Rutledge	Y Willard
Y Chapman	Y Geisinger	Y Lumsden	Y Rynders	Y Williams, A
Y Cheokas	Glanton	Y Mabra	Y Scott	Y Williams, C
Y Clark, J	Y Golick	Y Marin	Y Setzler	Y Williams, E
Y Clark, V	Y Gordon	Y Martin	Y Sharper	Williamson
Y Coleman	Gravley	Y Maxwell	Y Shaw	E Yates
Y Cooke	Y Greene	Mayo	Y Sims, B	Ralston, Speaker

On the passage of the Bills, and on the agreement to the Senate substitute, the ayes were 159, nays 0.

The Bills, having received the requisite constitutional majority, were passed, and the House has agreed to the Senate substitute.

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

SB 426. By Senators Tippins of the 37th, Thompson of the 14th, Hill of the 32nd and Hill of the 6th:

A BILL to be entitled an Act to amend an Act changing the compensation of the clerk of the superior court, the sheriff, and the judge of the Probate Court of Cobb County from the fee system to the salary system, approved February 9, 1949 (Ga. L. 1949, p. 427), as amended, particularly by an Act approved May 12, 2008 (Ga. L. 2008, p. 3702), so as to change the compensation of the deputy clerk of the superior court; to provide an effective date; to repeal conflicting laws; and for other purposes.

Referred to the Committee on Intragovernmental Coordination - Local.

SB 430. By Senators Davenport of the 44th and Seay of the 34th:

A BILL to be entitled an Act to amend an Act creating the State Court of Clayton County, approved January 28, 1964 (Ga. L. 1964, p. 2032), as amended, so as to provide for the imposition and collection of a fee to be used for fulfilling the technological needs of the county police department; to provide for related matters; to provide for effective dates; to repeal conflicting laws; and for other purposes.

Referred to the Committee on Intragovernmental Coordination - Local.

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

Representatives Jasperse of the 11th, McCall of the 33rd, Kaiser of the 59th et al., Dawkins-Haigler of the 91st, Wilkinson of the 52nd, Coleman of the 97th, Willard of the 51st, Prince of the 127th, Buckner of the 137th, Pak of the 108th, Frazier of the 126th, and Clark of the 98th.

Pursuant to HR 1693, the House recognized The National Center for Civil and Human Rights, Inc., for its plans to open its museum this summer in downtown Atlanta, and invited its board of directors to be recognized by the House of Representatives.

By order of the Committee on Rules, the following Bill of the Senate was withdrawn from the General Calendar and recommitted to the Committee on Governmental Affairs:

SB 95. By Senators Millar of the 40th, Staton of the 18th, Shafer of the 48th and Cowsert of the 46th:

A BILL to be entitled an Act to amend Article 2 of Chapter 5 of Title 36 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to county governing authorities, and Code Section 21-2-139 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to the authorization for and conduct of nonpartisan elections, so as to provide that, in counties that utilize a chief executive officer/county commission form of government, all elections for the chief executive officer shall be conducted on a nonpartisan basis; to provide for related matters; to repeal conflicting laws; and for other purposes.

Representative Willard of the 51st District, Chairman of the Committee on Judiciary, submitted the following report:

Mr. Speaker:

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

SB 290 Do Pass, by Substitute

Respectfully submitted,
/s/ Willard of the 51st
Chairman

Under the general order of business, established by the Committee on Rules, the following Bill of the Senate, having been postponed from the previous legislative day, was taken up for consideration and read the third time:

SB 286. By Senators Murphy of the 27th, Gooch of the 51st, Ginn of the 47th, Miller of the 49th, Wilkinson of the 50th and others:

A BILL to be entitled an Act to amend Title 3 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to alcoholic beverages, so as to change the maximum percent by volume of wine to that which is currently allowed under federal law; to change the definition of certain terms; to authorize wineries to buy and use certain products to manufacture particular types of wine; to provide for related matters; to provide for an effective date; to repeal conflicting laws; and for other purposes.

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

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

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

On the passage of the Bill, the ayes were 147, nays 9.

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

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

HR 1265. By Representatives Kelley of the 16th, Setzler of the 35th and Dudgeon of the 25th:

A RESOLUTION creating the House Study Committee on Autonomous Vehicle Technology; and for other purposes.

The following Committee substitute was read:

A RESOLUTION

Creating the House Study Committee on Autonomous Vehicle Technology; and for other purposes.

WHEREAS, autonomous vehicle technology is technology installed on a motor vehicle that provides the motor vehicle with the capability to drive without any control or monitoring by a human operator; and

WHEREAS, the economy of Georgia could greatly benefit from allowing autonomous vehicles to be tested on our state highway system and local streets; and

WHEREAS, the State of Georgia offers unique technological resources with the large presence of numerous, innovative technology companies; and

WHEREAS, this state is home to one of the nation's leading technology institutes, the Georgia Institute of Technology, whose students and professors could serve as an asset in this emerging technology; and

WHEREAS, it is important that this body review the implementation of autonomous vehicle technology and determine how this technology could promote research and development in the field of technology in Georgia, identify and examine any complications or liabilities which could arise by allowing such technology, and study the measures necessary in order for the state to implement autonomous vehicle technology on Georgia roads.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES that there is created the House Study Committee on Autonomous Vehicle Technology to be composed of seven members of the House of Representatives to appointed by the Speaker of the House of Representatives. The Speaker of the House of Representatives shall designate a chairperson from among the appointees. The committee shall meet at the call of the chairperson.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the committee shall undertake a study of the above issues and recommend any actions or legislation that the committee deems necessary or appropriate. The committee may conduct such meetings at such places and at such times as it may deem necessary or convenient to enable it to exercise fully and effectively its powers, perform its duties, and accomplish the objectives and purposes of this resolution. The members of the committee shall receive the allowances authorized for legislative members of interim legislative committees for their services on the committee but shall receive the same for not more than three days. The funds necessary to carry out the provisions of this resolution shall come from the funds appropriated to the House of Representatives. The committee shall publish a report of its findings and recommendations which may include suggestions for proposed legislation. Such report shall be made on or before December 31, 2014. The committee shall stand abolished on December 31, 2014.

The following amendment was read and adopted:

Representative Kelley of the 16th offers the following amendment:

Amend the House Committee on Science and Technology substitute to HR 1265(LC 39 0754S) by replacing "seven" *with* "five" *on line 20.*

The Committee substitute, as amended, was adopted.

The report of the Committee, which was favorable to the adoption of the Resolution, by substitute, was agreed to, as amended.

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

Y Abrams	Y Coomer	Gregory	Y McCall	Sims, C
Y Alexander	Y Cooper	Y Hamilton	Y McClain	Y Smith, E
N Allison	Y Dawkins-Haigler	Y Harbin	Y Meadows	Y Smith, L
Y Anderson	Y Deffenbaugh	Y Harden	E Mitchell	E Smith, M
Y Atwood	Y Dempsey	Y Harrell	Y Moore	Y Smith, R
Y Ballinger	Y Dickerson	Y Hatchett	Y Morgan	Y Smyre
Y Barr	Y Dickey	Y Hawkins	Y Morris	N Spencer
Y Battles	Y Dickson	E Henson	Y Mosby	Y Stephens, M
E Beasley-Teague	Dollar	Y Hightower	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 Stover
Y Benton	Dukes	Y Holt	Y Pak	Y Strickland
Y Beverly	N Dunahoo	Y Houston	Y Parrish	Y Talton
Y Black	Y Duncan	Y Howard	Y Parsons	Y Tankersley
N Braddock	Y Dutton	Y Hugley	Peake	Y Tanner
Y Broadrick	Y Efstration	Y Jackson	Y Pezold	N Tarvin
Y Brockway	Y Ehrhart	Y Jacobs	Y Powell, A	Y Taylor, D
Y Brooks	Y England	Y Jasperse	Y Powell, J	Y Taylor, T
Y Bruce	Y Epps, C	Y Jones, J	Y Prince	Y Teasley
Y Bryant	Y Epps, J	Y Jones, L	Y Pruett	Y Thomas, A.M.
Y Buckner	Y Evans	Y Jones, S	Y Quick	Y Turner
Y Burns	Y Fleming	Y Jordan	Y Ramsey	Y Waites
Y Caldwell, J	Y Floyd	Y Kaiser	Y Randall	Y Watson, B
Y Caldwell, M	Y Fludd	Y Kelley	Y Rice	Y Watson, S
Y Carson	Y Frazier	Y Kendrick	Y Riley	N Welch
Y Carter	Y Frye	Y Kidd	Y Roberts	Y Weldon
Y Casas	Y Fullerton	Y Kirby	Y Rogers, C	Y Wilkerson
Y Chandler	Y Gardner	Y Knight	Y Rogers, T	Y Wilkinson
Y Channell	Y Gasaway	Y Lindsey	Y Rutledge	Y Willard
Y Chapman	Y Geisinger	Y Lumsden	Y Rynders	Y Williams, A
Y Cheokas	Y Glanton	Y Mabra	Y Scott	Y Williams, C
Clark, J	Y Golick	Y Marin	Setzler	N Williams, E
Y Clark, V	Y Gordon	Y Martin	Y Sharper	Y Williamson
Y Coleman	Y Gravley	Y Maxwell	Y Shaw	E Yates
Y Cooke	Y Greene	Mayo	Y Sims, B	Ralston, Speaker

On the adoption of the Resolution, by substitute, as amended, the ayes were 158, nays 7.

The Resolution, having received the requisite constitutional majority, was adopted, by substitute, as amended.

HR 1655. By Representatives Kirby of the 114th, Lindsey of the 54th, Caldwell of the 20th, Gravley of the 67th, Quick of the 117th and others:

A RESOLUTION requesting that Congress protect and defend the Constitution of the United States and expressing the State of Georgia's commitment to protecting the rights of our citizens against any attempt to curtail those rights; and for other purposes.

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

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

N Abrams	Y Coomer	Gregory	Y McCall	Sims, C
N Alexander	Y Cooper	Y Hamilton	N McClain	N Smith, E

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

On the adoption of the Resolution, the ayes were 110, nays 53.

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

SB 383. By Senators Davis of the 22nd, Stone of the 23rd, Bethel of the 54th and Miller of the 49th:

A BILL to be entitled an Act to amend Code Section 45-16-25 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to duties of coroner or county medical examiner upon receipt of notice of suspicious or unusual death, authority to embalm body, identification, inventory and disposition of deceased's property, use of deceased's property for evidence, and autopsy when death occurs on state owned property, so as to provide that items of value of a deceased person of which a coroner or medical examiner takes possession shall not be converted to the coroner or medical examiner's personal use; to

provide for related matters; 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 Code Section 45-16-25 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to duties of coroner or county medical examiner upon receipt of notice of suspicious or unusual death, authority to embalm body, identification, inventory and disposition of deceased's property, use of deceased's property for evidence, and autopsy when death occurs on state owned property, so as to provide that property of value of a deceased person of which a coroner or medical examiner takes possession shall not be converted to the coroner or medical examiner's personal use; to provide that property of value of which the coroner or medical examiner takes possession for use in determining the cause or manner of death of the deceased or to identify the deceased shall be returned to the next of kin of the deceased when no longer needed in the investigation or for evidence in a prosecution; to provide for penalties; to provide for related matters; to provide an effective date; to repeal conflicting laws; and for other purposes.

BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF GEORGIA:

SECTION 1.

Code Section 45-16-25 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to duties of coroner or county medical examiner upon receipt of notice of suspicious or unusual death, authority to embalm body, identification, inventory and disposition of deceased's property, use of deceased's property for evidence, and autopsy when death occurs on state owned property, is amended by revising subsection (c) as follows:

"(c) The coroner or county medical examiner shall, in the absence of the next of kin of the deceased person, take possession of all property of value found on such person, make an exact inventory thereof on his or her report, and surrender the same to the person entitled to its custody or possession. In no circumstance shall any property of value found on or belonging to the deceased be converted to the personal use of the coroner or county medical examiner. The coroner, medical examiner, or peace officer shall take possession of any objects, anatomical specimens, or articles which, in his or her opinion, may be helpful in establishing the cause of death, manner of death, or identification of the deceased; and in cooperation with a forensic laboratory he or she may make such tests and examinations of said objects, specimens, or articles as may be necessary or useful in determining the cause of death, manner of death, or the identity of the deceased. At his or her discretion, the medical examiner or coroner may dispose of such objects, specimens, or articles when the medical examiner's or coroner's need for their retention has ended, provided that any property of value shall be returned to

the next of kin of the deceased when no longer needed in the investigation or for evidence in a prosecution. Any coroner who converts property of a deceased to his or her personal use shall be guilty of a violation of Code Section 16-18-4 and upon conviction shall be punished as provided in paragraph (3) of subsection (a) of Code Section 16-18-12. In the event that a criminal prosecution arises, all such objects and articles together with reports of any examinations made upon them shall be retained in the custody of the investigating agency or the forensic laboratory which conducted the examination until their production as evidence is required by the prosecuting officer or upon written order of the peace officer in charge or court having proper jurisdiction."

SECTION 2.

This Act shall become effective upon its approval by the Governor or upon its becoming law without such approval.

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	Gregory	Y McCall	Y Sims, C
Y Alexander	Y Cooper	Y Hamilton	Y McClain	Y Smith, E
Y Allison	Y Dawkins-Haigler	Y Harbin	Y Meadows	Y Smith, L
Y Anderson	Y Deffenbaugh	Y Harden	E Mitchell	E Smith, M
Y Atwood	Y Dempsey	Y Harrell	N Moore	Y Smith, R
Y Ballinger	Y Dickerson	Y Hatchett	Morgan	Y Smyre
Y Barr	Y Dickey	Y Hawkins	Y Morris	Y Spencer
Y Battles	Y Dickson	Y Henson	Y Mosby	Y Stephens, M
E Beasley-Teague	Dollar	Y Hightower	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 Stover
N Benton	Y Dukes	Y Holt	Y Pak	Y Strickland
N Beverly	Y Dunahoo	Y Houston	Y Parrish	Y Talton
Y Black	Y Duncan	Y Howard	Y Parsons	Y Tankersley
Y Braddock	Y Dutton	Y Hugley	Y Peake	Y Tanner
Y Broadrick	E Efstration	Y Jackson	N Pezold	Y Tarvin
Y Brockway	Y Ehrhart	Y Jacobs	Y Powell, A	Y Taylor, D
Y Brooks	Y England	Y Jasperse	Y Powell, J	Y Taylor, T
Y Bruce	Y Epps, C	Y Jones, J	Y Prince	Y Teasley
Y Bryant	Y Epps, J	N Jones, L	Y Pruett	Thomas, A.M.
Y Buckner	Y Evans	Y Jones, S	Y Quick	Y Turner
Y Burns	Y Fleming	Y Jordan	Y Ramsey	Y Waites
Y Caldwell, J	Y Floyd	Y Kaiser	Y Randall	Y Watson, B
Y Caldwell, M	Y Fludd	Y Kelley	Y Rice	Y Watson, S
Y Carson	Y Frazier	Y Kendrick	Y Riley	Y Welch

Y Carter	Y Frye	Y Kidd	Y Roberts	Y Weldon
Y Casas	Y Fullerton	Y Kirby	Y Rogers, C	Y Wilkerson
Y Chandler	Y Gardner	Y Knight	Y Rogers, T	Y Wilkinson
Y Channell	Y Gasaway	Y Lindsey	Y Rutledge	Y Willard
Y Chapman	Y Geisinger	Y Lumsden	Y Rynders	Y Williams, A
Y Cheokas	Y Glanton	Y Mabra	Y Scott	Y Williams, C
Clark, J	Y Golick	Y Marin	Y Setzler	N Williams, E
Y Clark, V	Y Gordon	Y Martin	Y Sharper	Y Williamson
Y Coleman	Y Gravley	Y Maxwell	Y Shaw	E Yates
Y Cooke	Y Greene	Y Mayo	Y Sims, B	Ralston, Speaker

On the passage of the Bill, by substitute, the ayes were 163, nays 6.

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

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

HOUSE SUPPLEMENTAL RULES CALENDAR
TUESDAY, MARCH 18, 2014

Mr. Speaker and Members of the House:

The Committee on Rules has fixed the calendar for this 39th Legislative Day as enumerated below:

DEBATE CALENDAR

Open Rule

None

Modified Open Rule

SB 60	General Assembly; all official communications; officers, members, or employees; electronic format (GAff-Williamson-115th) Heath-31st
SB 276	State Government; provide that Georgia shall be a "Purple Heart State" (Substitute)(D&VA-Smith-134th) Harbison-15th
SB 322	Game and Fish; provide protection for certain wildlife habitats (GF&P-Roberts-155th) Harper-7th
SB 326	Private Colleges and Universities Authority; authorize the authority to meet by teleconference and other methods permitted by law (HEd-Rutledge-109th) Jeffares-17th
SB 358	Missing Children Information Center; provide missing child reports for foster children (H&HS-Geisinger-48th) Albers-56th

SB 374 "Urban Redevelopment Law"; revise terminology from "slums" to "pockets of blight" (Substitute)(GAff-Brockway-102nd) Cowsert-46th
SB 391 Health; provide that each medical facility make a good faith application; TRICARE network (H&HS-Hatchett-150th) Balfour-9th

Modified Structured Rule

None

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

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

SB 276. By Senators Harbison of the 15th, Hill of the 6th and Thompson of the 5th:

A BILL to be entitled an Act to amend Article 3 of Chapter 3 of Title 50 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to other state symbols, so as to provide that Georgia shall be a "Purple Heart State"; 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 4 of Title 1 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to holidays and observances, so as to designate a Purple Heart Day; to amend Article 3 of Chapter 3 of Title 50 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to other state symbols, so as to provide that Georgia shall be a "Purple Heart State"; to repeal conflicting laws; and for other purposes.

BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF GEORGIA:

SECTION 1.

Chapter 4 of Title 1 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to holidays and observances, is amended by adding a new Code section to read as follows:

"1-4-21.

(a) August 7 of every year is designated as 'Purple Heart Day.'

(b) The Governor may annually issue a proclamation designating August 7 as 'Purple Heart Day.' Public officials, schools, private organizations, and all residents of this state are encouraged to commemorate Purple Heart Day and honor those wounded or killed while serving in any branch of the United States Armed Services."

SECTION 2.

Article 3 of Chapter 3 of Title 50 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to other state symbols, is amended by adding a new Code section to read as follows:

"50-3-86.

Georgia is designated as a 'Purple Heart State,' honoring our combat wounded veterans for their service and sacrifice in allowing the United States of America to maintain its sovereignty."

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	Gregory	Y McCall	Y Sims, C
Y Alexander	Y Cooper	Y Hamilton	Y McClain	Y Smith, E
Y Allison	Y Dawkins-Haigler	Y Harbin	Y Meadows	Y Smith, L
Y Anderson	Y Deffenbaugh	Y Harden	E Mitchell	Y Smith, M
Y Atwood	Y Dempsey	Y Harrell	Y Moore	Y Smith, R
Y Ballinger	Y Dickerson	Y Hatchett	Y Morgan	Y Smyre
Y Barr	Y Dickey	Y Hawkins	Y Morris	Y Spencer
Y Battles	Y Dickson	Y Henson	Y Mosby	Y Stephens, M
E Beasley-Teague	Dollar	Y Hightower	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 Stover
Y Benton	Y Dukes	Y Holt	Y Pak	Y Strickland
Y Beverly	Dunahoo	Y Houston	Y Parrish	Y Talton
Y Black	Y Duncan	Y Howard	Y Parsons	Y Tankersley
Y Braddock	Y Dutton	Y Hugley	Y Peake	Y Tanner
Y Broadrick	E Efstration	Y Jackson	Y Pezold	Y Tarvin
Y Brockway	Y Ehrhart	E Jacobs	Y Powell, A	Y Taylor, D
Y Brooks	Y England	Y Jasperse	Y Powell, J	Y Taylor, T
Y Bruce	Y Epps, C	Y Jones, J	Y Prince	Y Teasley
Y Bryant	Y Epps, J	Y Jones, L	Y Pruett	Y Thomas, A.M.

Y Buckner	Y Evans	Y Jones, S	Y Quick	Y Turner
Y Burns	Y Fleming	Y Jordan	Y Ramsey	Y Waites
Y Caldwell, J	Floyd	Y Kaiser	Y Randall	Y Watson, B
Y Caldwell, M	Y Fludd	Y Kelley	Y Rice	Y Watson, S
Y Carson	Y Frazier	Y Kendrick	Y Riley	Y Welch
Y Carter	Y Frye	Y Kidd	Y Roberts	Y Weldon
Casas	Y Fullerton	Y Kirby	Y Rogers, C	Y Wilkerson
Y Chandler	Y Gardner	Y Knight	Y Rogers, T	Y Wilkinson
Y Channell	Y Gasaway	Y Lindsey	Y Rutledge	Y Willard
Y Chapman	Y Geisinger	Y Lumsden	Y Rynders	Y Williams, A
Y Cheokas	Y Glanton	Y Mabra	Y Scott	Y Williams, C
Clark, J	Y Golick	Y Marin	Y Setzler	Y Williams, E
Y Clark, V	Y Gordon	Martin	Y Sharper	Y Williamson
Y Coleman	Y Gravley	Y Maxwell	Y Shaw	E Yates
Y Cooke	Y Greene	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.

SB 322. By Senators Harper of the 7th, Tolleson of the 20th, Jeffares of the 17th, Mullis of the 53rd, Williams of the 19th and others:

A BILL to be entitled an Act to amend Chapter 1 of Title 27 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to general provisions relative to game and fish, so as to provide protection for certain wildlife habitats; 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	N Coomer	Gregory	Y McCall	Y Sims, C
Y Alexander	Y Cooper	Y Hamilton	Y McClain	Y Smith, E
Allison	Y Dawkins-Haigler	Y Harbin	Y Meadows	Y Smith, L
Y Anderson	Y Deffenbaugh	Y Harden	E Mitchell	Y Smith, M
Y Atwood	Y Dempsey	Y Harrell	N Moore	Y Smith, R
Y Ballinger	Y Dickerson	Y Hatchett	Y Morgan	Y Smyre
Y Barr	Y Dickey	Y Hawkins	N Morris	N Spencer
Y Battles	Y Dickson	N Henson	Y Mosby	Y Stephens, M
E Beasley-Teague	Dollar	Y Hightower	Y Nimmer	Y Stephens, R
Bell	Y Douglas	Y Hitchens	Y Nix	Y Stephenson
N Bennett	N Drenner	Y Holcomb	Y Oliver	Y Stovall
Y Bentley	Y Dudgeon	Y Holmes	Y O'Neal	N Stover
Y Benton	Y Dukes	Y Holt	Y Pak	Y Strickland
Y Beverly	Y Dunahoo	Y Houston	Y Parrish	Y Talton
Y Black	Y Duncan	Y Howard	Y Parsons	Y Tankersley
Y Braddock	N Dutton	Y Hugley	Y Peake	N Tanner

Y Broadrick	E Efstration	Y Jackson	Y Pezold	N Tarvin
Y Brockway	N Ehrhart	E Jacobs	Y Powell, A	Y Taylor, D
Y Brooks	Y England	Y Jasperse	Y Powell, J	Y Taylor, T
Y Bruce	Y Epps, C	Y Jones, J	Y Prince	Y Teasley
Y Bryant	Y Epps, J	Y Jones, L	Y Pruett	Y Thomas, A.M.
Y Buckner	Y Evans	Y Jones, S	Y Quick	N Turner
Y Burns	Y Fleming	Y Jordan	Y Ramsey	Y Waites
Y Caldwell, J	Y Floyd	Y Kaiser	Y Randall	Y Watson, B
N Caldwell, M	Y Fludd	Y Kelley	Y Rice	Y Watson, S
Y Carson	Y Frazier	Y Kendrick	Y Riley	Y Welch
Y Carter	Y Frye	Y Kidd	Y Roberts	Weldon
Y Casas	Y Fullerton	Y Kirby	Y Rogers, C	Y Wilkerson
Y Chandler	Y Gardner	Y Knight	Y Rogers, T	Y Wilkinson
Y Channell	Y Gasaway	Y Lindsey	Y Rutledge	Y Willard
N Chapman	Y Geisinger	Y Lumsden	Y Rynders	Y Williams, A
Y Cheokas	Y Glanton	Y Mabra	Y Scott	Y Williams, C
Clark, J	Y Golick	Y Marin	Setzler	Y Williams, E
Y Clark, V	Y Gordon	Y Martin	Y Sharper	Y Williamson
Y Coleman	Y Gravley	Y Maxwell	Y Shaw	E Yates
Y Cooke	Y Greene	Y Mayo	Y Sims, B	Ralston, Speaker

On the passage of the Bill, the ayes were 152, nays 15.

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

SB 60. By Senator Heath of the 31st:

A BILL to be entitled an Act to amend Chapter 3 of Title 28 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to administrative personnel of the General Assembly, so as to provide that all official communications to officers, members, or employees of the General Assembly be provided in an electronic format; to provide for related matters; to repeal conflicting laws; and for other purposes.

The following amendment was read and adopted:

Representatives Abrams of the 89th and O'Neal of the 146th offer the following amendment:

Amend SB 60 (LC 34 3604) by deleting "or by any other state regulation or directive," *on line 14.*

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

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

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

On the passage of the Bill, as amended, the ayes were 122, nays 51.

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

SB 358. By Senators Albers of the 56th, Unterman of the 45th, Millar of the 40th, Gooch of the 51st, Murphy of the 27th and others:

A BILL to be entitled an Act to amend Article 4 of Chapter 3 of Title 35 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to the Missing Children Information Center, so as to provide for missing child reports for foster children; 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.

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

Y Abrams	Y Coomer	Y Gregory	Y McCall	Sims, C
Y Alexander	Y Cooper	Y Hamilton	Y McClain	Y Smith, E
Y Allison	Y Dawkins-Haigler	Y Harbin	Y Meadows	Y Smith, L
Y Anderson	Y Deffenbaugh	Y Harden	E Mitchell	Y Smith, M
Y Atwood	Y Dempsey	Y Harrell	Y Moore	Y Smith, R
Y Ballinger	Dickerson	Y Hatchett	Y Morgan	Y Smyre
Y Barr	Y Dickey	Y Hawkins	Y Morris	Y Spencer
Y Battles	Y Dickson	Y Henson	Y Mosby	Y Stephens, M
E Beasley-Teague	Y Dollar	Y Hightower	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 Stover
Y Benton	Y Dukes	Y Holt	Y Pak	Y Strickland
Y Beverly	Y Dunahoo	Y Houston	Y Parrish	Y Talton
Y Black	Y Duncan	Y Howard	Y Parsons	Y Tankersley
Y Braddock	Y Dutton	Y Hugley	Y Peake	Y Tanner
Y Broadrick	Y Efstration	Y Jackson	Y Pezold	Y Tarvin
Y Brockway	Y Ehrhart	Y Jacobs	Y Powell, A	Y Taylor, D
Y Brooks	Y England	Y Jasperse	Y Powell, J	Y Taylor, T
Y Bruce	Y Epps, C	Y Jones, J	Y Prince	Y Teasley
Y Bryant	Y Epps, J	Y Jones, L	Y Pruett	Y Thomas, A.M.
Y Buckner	Y Evans	Y Jones, S	Y Quick	Y Turner
Y Burns	Y Fleming	Y Jordan	Y Ramsey	Y Waites
Y Caldwell, J	Y Floyd	Y Kaiser	Y Randall	Y Watson, B
Y Caldwell, M	Y Fludd	Y Kelley	Y Rice	Y Watson, S
Y Carson	Y Frazier	Y Kendrick	Y Riley	Y Welch
Carter	Y Frye	Y Kidd	Y Roberts	Y Weldon
Y Casas	Y Fullerton	Y Kirby	Y Rogers, C	Y Wilkerson
Y Chandler	Y Gardner	Y Knight	Y Rogers, T	Y Wilkinson
Y Channell	Y Gasaway	Y Lindsey	Y Rutledge	Y Willard
Y Chapman	Y Geisinger	Y Lumsden	Y Rynders	Y Williams, A
Y Cheokas	Y Glanton	Y Mabra	Y Scott	Y Williams, C
Y Clark, J	Y Golick	Y Marin	Setzler	Y Williams, E
Y Clark, V	Y Gordon	Y Martin	Y Sharper	Y Williamson
Y Coleman	Y Gravley	Y Maxwell	Y Shaw	E Yates
Y Cooke	Greene	Y Mayo	Y Sims, B	Ralston, Speaker

On the passage of the Bill, the ayes were 171, nays 0.

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

SB 374. By Senators Cowsert of the 46th, Hill of the 6th, Millar of the 40th and Jackson of the 2nd:

A BILL to be entitled an Act to amend Chapter 61 of Title 36 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, the "Urban Redevelopment Law," so as to revise

terminology from "slums" to "pockets of blight"; 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 Chapter 61 of Title 36 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to urban redevelopment for counties and municipal corporations, so as to provide for the use of surface transportation projects in urban redevelopment areas; to provide for definitions; to revise terminology from "slums" to "pockets of blight"; to provide for public contracts with private enterprises for the completion of surface transportation projects; to provide for methods of procurement for surface transportation projects in urban redevelopment areas; to provide for limitations on former public employees when negotiating contracts for surface transportation projects; to provide for the issuance of bonds for urban redevelopment projects; to provide for related matters; to repeal conflicting laws; and for other purposes.

BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF GEORGIA:

SECTION 1.

Chapter 61 of Title 36 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to urban redevelopment for counties and municipal corporations, is amended by revising Code Section 36-61-2, relating to definitions, as follows:

"36-61-2.

As used in this chapter, the term:

(1) 'Agency' or 'urban redevelopment agency' means a public agency created by Code Section 36-61-18.

(2) 'Area of operation' means the area within the corporate limits of the municipality or county and the area within five miles of such limits, except that it shall not include any area which lies within the territorial boundaries of another incorporated municipality or another county unless a resolution is adopted by the governing body of such other municipality or county declaring a need therefor.

(3) 'Board' or 'commission' means a board, commission, department, division, office, body, or other unit of the municipality or county.

(4) 'Bonds' means any bonds (including refunding bonds), notes, interim certificates, certificates of indebtedness, debentures, or other obligations.

(5) 'Clerk' means the clerk or other official of the municipality or county who is the custodian of the official records of such municipality or county.

(6) 'County' means any county in this state.

(7) 'Downtown development authority' means an authority created pursuant to Chapter 42 of this title.

(8) 'Federal government' means the United States of America or any agency or instrumentality, corporate or otherwise, of the United States of America.
(9) 'Housing authority' means a housing authority created by and established pursuant to Article 1 of Chapter 3 of Title 8, the 'Housing Authorities Law.'
(10) 'Local governing body' means the council or other legislative body charged with governing the municipality and the board of commissioners or governing authority of the county.
(11) 'Mayor' means the mayor of a municipality or other officer or body having the duties customarily imposed upon the executive head of a municipality.
(12) 'Municipality' means any incorporated city or town in ~~the~~ this state.
(13) 'Obligee' includes any bondholder, agents, or trustees for any bondholders, or any lessor demising to the municipality or county property used in connection with an urban redevelopment project, or any assignee or assignees of such lessor's interest or any part thereof, and the federal government when it is a party to any contract with the municipality or county.
(14) 'Person' means any individual, firm, partnership, corporation, company, association, joint-stock association, or body politic and includes any trustee, receiver, assignee, or other person acting in a similar representative capacity.
(15) 'Pocket of blight' means an area in which there is a predominance of buildings or improvements, whether residential or nonresidential, which by reason of dilapidation, deterioration, age, or obsolescence; inadequate provision for ventilation, light, air, sanitation, or open spaces; high density of population and overcrowding; existence of conditions which endanger life or property by fire and other causes; or any combination of such factors is conducive to ill health, transmission of disease, infant mortality, juvenile delinquency, or crime and is detrimental to the public health, safety, morals, or welfare. 'Pocket of blight' also means an area which by reason of the presence of a substantial number of deteriorated or deteriorating structures; predominance of defective or inadequate street layout; faulty lot layout in relation to size, adequacy, accessibility, or usefulness; unsanitary or unsafe conditions; deterioration of site or other improvements; tax or special assessment delinquency exceeding the fair value of the land; the existence of conditions which endanger life or property by fire and other causes; by having development impaired by airport or transportation noise or by other environmental hazards; or any combination of such factors substantially impairs or arrests the sound growth of a municipality or county, retards the provisions of housing accommodations, or constitutes an economic or social liability and is a menace to the public health, safety, morals, or welfare in its present condition and use.
(16) 'Pocket of blight clearance and redevelopment' may include:
(A) Acquisition of a pocket of blight or portion thereof;
(B) Rehabilitation or demolition and removal of buildings and improvements;
(C) Installation, construction, or reconstruction of streets, utilities, parks, playgrounds, transit facilities, sidewalks, streetscapes, trails, bicycle facilities, and

other improvements necessary for carrying out in the area the urban redevelopment provisions of this chapter in accordance with the urban redevelopment plan; and

(D) Making the land available for development or redevelopment by private enterprise or public agencies, including sale, initial leasing, or retention by the municipality or county itself, at its fair value for uses in accordance with the urban redevelopment plan.

~~(15)~~(17) 'Public body' means the state or any municipality, county, board, commission, authority, district, housing authority, urban redevelopment agency, or other subdivision or public body of the state.

~~(16)~~(18) 'Real property' includes all lands, including improvements and fixtures thereon and property of any nature appurtenant thereto or used in connection therewith, and every estate, interest, right, and use, legal or equitable, therein, including terms for years and liens by way of judgment, mortgage, or otherwise.

~~(17)~~(19) 'Rehabilitation' or 'conservation' may include the restoration and redevelopment of a ~~slum area~~ pocket of blight or portion thereof, in accordance with an urban redevelopment plan, by:

(A) Carrying out plans for a program of voluntary or compulsory repair and rehabilitation of buildings or other improvements;

(B) Acquisition of real property and rehabilitation or demolition and removal of buildings and improvements thereon where necessary to eliminate unhealthful, unsanitary, or unsafe conditions, to lessen or increase density, to reduce traffic hazards, to eliminate obsolete or other uses detrimental to the public welfare, to otherwise remove or prevent the spread of ~~slums~~ pockets of blight or deterioration, or to provide land for needed public facilities or improvements, including, but not limited to, surface transportation projects;

(C) Installation, construction, or reconstruction of streets, transit facilities and improvements, sidewalks, streetscapes, trails, bicycle facilities, utilities, parks, playgrounds, and other improvements necessary for carrying out in the area the urban redevelopment provisions of this chapter; and

(D) The disposition of any property acquired in such urban redevelopment area, including sale, initial leasing or retention by the municipality or county itself, at its fair value for uses in accordance with the urban redevelopment plan.

~~(18) 'Slum area' means an area in which there is a predominance of buildings or improvements, whether residential or nonresidential, which by reason of dilapidation, deterioration, age, or obsolescence; inadequate provision for ventilation, light, air, sanitation, or open spaces; high density of population and overcrowding; existence of conditions which endanger life or property by fire and other causes; or any combination of such factors is conducive to ill health, transmission of disease, infant mortality, juvenile delinquency, or crime and is detrimental to the public health, safety, morals, or welfare. 'Slum area' also means an area which by reason of the presence of a substantial number of slum, deteriorated, or deteriorating structures; predominance of defective or inadequate street layout; faulty lot layout in relation to size, adequacy, accessibility, or usefulness; unsanitary or unsafe conditions;~~

~~deterioration of site or other improvements; tax or special assessment delinquency exceeding the fair value of the land; the existence of conditions which endanger life or property by fire and other causes; by having development impaired by airport or transportation noise or by other environmental hazards; or any combination of such factors substantially impairs or arrests the sound growth of a municipality or county, retards the provisions of housing accommodations, or constitutes an economic or social liability and is a menace to the public health, safety, morals, or welfare in its present condition and use.~~

~~(19) 'Slum clearance and redevelopment' may include:~~

~~(A) Acquisition of a slum area or portion thereof;~~

~~(B) Rehabilitation or demolition and removal of buildings and improvements;~~

~~(C) Installation, construction, or reconstruction of streets, utilities, parks, playgrounds, and other improvements necessary for carrying out in the area the urban redevelopment provisions of this chapter in accordance with the urban redevelopment plan; and~~

~~(D) Making the land available for development or redevelopment by private enterprise or public agencies (including sale, initial leasing, or retention by the municipality or county itself) at its fair value for uses in accordance with the urban redevelopment plan.~~

(20) 'Sponsoring local government' means the municipality or county which approves and is, directly or indirectly, providing the greatest percentage of the public funding, exclusive of federal funding, for a surface transportation project.

(21) 'Surface transportation project' means a project for public improvement and any related public facilities which is planned to impact 10,000 or more acres and at least ten transit miles within the area of operation of the sponsoring local government, including any related facilities, systems, parks, trails, streets, greenspace, and any other integrated public or private development features included within any adopted infrastructure or transportation plan, urban redevelopment plan, strategic implementation plan, redevelopment plan, workable programs, or comprehensive plans. Surface transportation projects may be undertaken under this chapter in areas proximate to, but lying outside of, a designated urban redevelopment area, without regard to any requirement that the area be a pocket of blight, but only within the territorial limits of the sponsoring local government, provided that:

(A) The majority of the applicable surface transportation project is located within one or more urban redevelopment areas;

(B) The elements of such surface transportation project lying outside of one or more urban redevelopment areas are a functional component of a redevelopment plan authorized under the provisions of Chapter 44 of this title or a comprehensive development plan adopted in accordance with the rules of the Department of Community Affairs under Chapter 8 of Title 50; and

(C) The sponsoring local government determines that the elements of the surface transportation project lying outside of one or more urban redevelopment areas are

essential to the full implementation of such project, which legislative determination shall be deemed conclusive.

(22) 'Urban redevelopment area' means a ~~slum area~~ pocket of blight which the local governing body designates as appropriate for an urban redevelopment project.

~~(21)~~(23) 'Urban redevelopment plan' means a plan, as it exists from time to time, for an urban redevelopment project, which plan shall:

(A) Conform to the general plan for the municipality or county as a whole; and

(B) Be sufficiently complete to indicate such land acquisition, demolition and removal of structures, redevelopment, improvements, and rehabilitation as may be proposed to be carried out in the urban redevelopment area; zoning and planning changes, if any; land uses; maximum densities; building requirements; and the plan's relationship to definite local objectives respecting appropriate land uses, improved traffic, public transportation, public utilities, recreational and community facilities, and other public improvements.

~~(22)~~(24) 'Urban redevelopment project' may include undertakings or activities of a municipality or county in an urban redevelopment area for the elimination and for the prevention of the development or spread of ~~slums~~ pockets of blight and may involve ~~slum~~ pocket of blight clearance and redevelopment in an urban redevelopment area, rehabilitation or conservation in an urban redevelopment area, the implementation of public improvements, including, but not limited to, surface transportation projects, or any combination or part thereof, in accordance with an urban redevelopment plan. Although the power of eminent domain may not be exercised for ~~such~~ the following purposes, such undertakings or activities may include:

(A) Acquisition, without regard to any requirement that the area be a ~~slum or blighted area~~ pocket of blight, of air rights in an area consisting of lands and highways, railway or subway tracks, bridge or tunnel entrances, or other similar facilities which have a blighting influence on the surrounding area and over which air rights sites are to be developed for the elimination of such blighting influences and for the provision of housing and related facilities and uses designed for, and limited primarily to, families and individuals of low or moderate income; and

(B) Construction of foundations and platforms necessary for the provision of air rights sites of housing and related facilities and uses designed for, and limited primarily to, families and individuals of low or moderate income or construction of foundations necessary for the provision of air rights sites for development of nonresidential facilities."

SECTION 2.

Said chapter is further amended by revising Code Section 36-61-3, relating to legislative findings and declaration of necessity, as follows:

"36-61-3.

(a) It is found and declared that there exist in municipalities and counties of this state ~~slum areas~~ pockets of blight, as defined in paragraph ~~(18)~~ (15) of Code Section 36-61-2, which constitute a serious and growing menace, injurious to the public health, safety,

morals, and welfare of the residents of this state; that the existence of such areas contributes substantially and increasingly to the spread of disease and crime, constitutes an economic and social liability, substantially impairs or arrests the sound growth of municipalities and counties, retards the provision of housing accommodations, aggravates traffic problems, and substantially impairs or arrests the elimination of traffic hazards and the improvement of traffic facilities; and that the prevention and elimination of ~~slums~~ pockets of blight is a matter of state policy and state concern, in order that ~~the~~ this state and its municipalities and counties shall not continue to be endangered by areas which are local centers of disease, promote juvenile delinquency, and, while contributing little to the tax income of ~~the~~ this state and its municipalities and counties, consume an excessive proportion of its revenues because of the extra services required for police, fire, accident, hospitalization, and other forms of public protection, services, and facilities.

(b) It is further found and declared that certain ~~slum areas~~ pockets of blight or portions thereof may require acquisition, clearance, and disposition, subject to use restrictions, as provided in this chapter, since the prevailing condition of decay may make impracticable the reclamation of the area by conservation or rehabilitation; that the other areas or portions thereof, through the means provided in this chapter, may be susceptible of conservation or rehabilitation in such a manner that the conditions and evils enumerated in subsection (a) of this Code section may be eliminated, remedied, or prevented and that, to the extent that is feasible, salvable ~~slum areas~~ pockets of blight should be conserved and rehabilitated through voluntary action and the regulatory process.

(c) It is further found and declared that the powers conferred by this chapter are for public uses and purposes for which public money may be expended and the power of eminent domain may be exercised. The necessity, in the public interest, for the provisions enacted in this chapter is declared as a matter of legislative determination."

SECTION 3.

Said chapter is further amended by revising Code Section 36-61-4, relating to the encouragement of private enterprise in urban redevelopment, as follows:

"36-61-4.

(a) A municipality or county, to the greatest extent it determines to be feasible in carrying out the provisions of this chapter, shall afford maximum opportunity, consistent with the sound needs of the municipality or county as a whole, to the rehabilitation or redevelopment of the urban redevelopment area by private enterprise. A municipality or county shall give consideration to this objective in exercising its powers under this chapter, including: the formulation of a workable program; the approval of urban redevelopment plans consistent with the general plan for the municipality or county; the adoption and enforcement of ordinances as provided for in Code Section 36-61-11; the exercise of its zoning powers; the enforcement of other laws, codes, and regulations relating to the use of land and the use and occupancy of

buildings and improvements; the disposition of any property acquired; and the provision of necessary public improvements.

(b) Notwithstanding anything in this chapter or other provisions of law to the contrary, and in order to give effect to the encouragement of private enterprise contemplated in this Code section, the following shall apply to contracts and agreements for surface transportation projects entered into pursuant to this chapter:

(1) In addition to other methods of procurement authorized by law, the sponsoring local government, urban redevelopment agency, or other governing body shall be authorized to utilize the procedures of this chapter to provide for the planning, design, finance, construction, acquisition, leasing, operation, and maintenance of surface transportation projects. The provisions of this chapter shall be an alternative to such other methods to be exercised at the option of each sponsoring local government or public body;

(2) One or more public bodies may participate in the consideration and implementation of a surface transportation project at the discretion of the sponsoring local government. Where more than one public body agrees to participate in the consideration or implementation of a surface transportation project, the participants may designate one or more representatives of each such participating public body, as agreed to by the sponsoring local government or the urban redevelopment agency;

(3)(A) An urban redevelopment agency designated by the sponsoring local government may evaluate a project to determine the appropriate or desirable levels of public and private participation in planning, designing, financing, constructing, operating, maintaining, or facilitating, or any combination thereof, for the execution of such project. Such urban redevelopment agency may designate a public nonprofit, private corporation, body, or entity to perform this function and to otherwise perform the activities contemplated in this Code section.

(B) A sponsoring local government or an urban redevelopment agency shall be authorized to issue, individually or in sequenced stages, written requests for expressions of interest, qualifications, or proposals, or any combination thereof, or other similar methods of procurement or solicitation. Such requests shall indicate the scope of the project, the proposed public and private financial participation in the project, including, but not limited to, the rights, responsibilities, obligations, revenue sharing features, any lease, license, availability or other payment rights, and any other allocations of interests and federal and state income tax benefits in respect of real and personal property relating to a project. Such requests shall include the factors to be used in evaluating responses, the relative importance of any applicable evaluation factors, and other contractual terms and conditions expected, including any unique capabilities or qualifications that will be required of respondents, as determined in the sole discretion of the designated representative of the sponsoring local government. Public notice of such requests shall be made at least 30 days prior to the date set for the release of said request by posting a legal notice on the websites of the sponsoring local government and the public body implementing the project, in substantially the same manner utilized by such public bodies in order to

solicit requests for proposals, with a copy of such notice provided simultaneously to each affected public body.

(C)(i) The public body implementing the project and the sponsoring local government, with the participation of any designated representatives of other participating public bodies as determined by the sponsoring local government, may engage in individual discussions and interviews with each respondent deemed fully qualified, responsible, and suitable on the basis of initial responses and with emphasis on professional competence and ability to meet the level of private financial participation as called for in such request. Repetitive, informal interviews and negotiation sessions may be conducted. Any such interviews and negotiation sessions shall be deemed to be a part of the procurement process.

(ii)(I) At the conclusion of the final stage, on the basis of evaluation factors published in the request and all information developed in the selection process, the public body implementing the surface transportation project, in an open and public meeting subject to the provisions of Chapter 14 of Title 50, shall select one or more respondents whose qualifications and proposed services are deemed most meritorious.

(II) Negotiations shall then be conducted by the designated representative with the selected respondent or respondents. Negotiations conducted with one or more selected respondent pursuant to this Code section shall continue to be deemed an active procurement until the execution of the final, definitive agreement with the selected respondent or respondents.

(iii) The public body implementing the project shall select for approval the respondent offering the most satisfactory and advantageous contract terms for the project based upon a thorough assessment of any one or more of the following: experience and reputation with similar projects; engineering and design quality; value; projected savings during, before, or after construction; and the ability of the final project's characteristics to meet the goals of the sponsoring local government, consistent with applicable plans and programs. The fair market value of any property included as a part of the procurement may be based on the consideration of the above factors, but it shall not be less than the initial cost to obtain the property. Before making such selection, the designated representative shall consult in an open and public meeting subject to the provisions of Chapter 14 of Title 50 with the representatives of any participating local governing authority, participating local authority, participating state agency, department, or authority, and affected local government. Notwithstanding the foregoing, if the terms and conditions for multiple awards are included in the request, the implementing public body may award contracts to more than one respondent. Should the implementing public body determine in writing that only one respondent is fully qualified, or that one respondent is clearly more highly qualified and suitable than the other respondents under consideration, a contract may be negotiated and awarded to that respondent.

(iv) Upon approval of the selection by the implementing public body, a contract or contracts not exceeding 50 years in duration may be entered into by the urban redevelopment agency or any one or more of the participating public bodies and the selected respondent or respondents. The private financial information provided by the respondents shall remain exempt from Code Section 50-18-72 during and after the conclusion of the related selection process.

(D) A dispute over the award of a contract under this chapter shall be resolved by the filing of a petition in the superior court of the county in which the sponsoring local government is located within 30 days of the awarding of such contract and shall be determined through the use of a special master appointed by the judge of the superior court of the county in which the sponsoring local government is located. The special master shall not be authorized to enjoin or otherwise delay or suspend the execution of the contract and any work to be performed under such contract. The decision of the special master with regard to such dispute shall be appealable for a de novo review to the superior court of the county in which the sponsoring local government is located within 30 days following the decision of the special master.

(E) Nothing in this chapter shall require the designated representatives, the sponsoring local government, the implementing public body, or any participating public body to continue negotiations or discussions arising out of any request or any other procurement initiated under the provisions of this Code section.

(F) Every public body shall be authorized to promulgate reasonable rules and regulations to assist in its evaluation of responses and to implement the purposes of this chapter; provided, however, that unsolicited proposals shall not be permitted;

(4) No public officer, employee, or member of any participating public body, with respect to contracts of such public body, or the General Assembly shall serve as an agent, lobbyist, or board member for any private entity directly or indirectly under a contract or negotiating a contract provided for by this chapter for three years after leaving his or her position as a public officer, employee, or member of the public body or the General Assembly; and

(5) Contracts entered into with a private enterprise in respect to the design, construction, operation, financing, or management of the public components of a surface transportation project shall not constitute the acquisition of property for a private use, nor shall such contracts be deemed a sale, lease, or other disposition of the related interests in property under any provisions of this chapter or other provision of applicable law, and such public components of a surface transportation project shall be deemed a public use for all purposes under applicable provisions of law, including, without limitation, Code Sections 36-61-9 and 36-61-10."

SECTION 4.

Said chapter is further amended by revising Code Section 36-61-5, relating to resolution of necessity as prerequisite to exercise of powers, as follows:

"36-61-5.

No municipality or county shall exercise any of the powers conferred upon municipalities and counties by this chapter until after its local governing body has adopted a resolution finding that:

(1) One or more ~~slum areas~~ pockets of blight exist in such municipality or county; and

(2) The rehabilitation, conservation, or redevelopment, or a combination thereof, of such area or areas is necessary in the interest of the public health, safety, morals, or welfare of the residents of the municipality or county."

SECTION 5.

Said chapter is further amended by revising Code Section 36-61-6, relating to formulation of a workable program for urban redevelopment, as follows:

"36-61-6.

For the purposes of this chapter, a municipality or county may formulate a workable program for utilizing appropriate private and public resources including those specified in Code Section 36-61-11, to eliminate and prevent the development or spread of ~~slums~~ pockets of blight, to encourage needed urban rehabilitation, to provide for the redevelopment of ~~slum areas~~ pockets of blight, or to undertake such of the aforesaid activities or such other feasible municipal or county activities as may be suitably employed to achieve the objectives of such workable program. Such workable program may include, without limitation, provision for the prevention of the spread of ~~slums~~ pockets of blight into areas of the municipality or county which are free from ~~slums~~ pockets of blight, through diligent enforcement of housing, zoning, and occupancy controls and standards; the rehabilitation or conservation of ~~slum areas~~ pockets of blight or portions thereof by replanting, removing congestion, providing parks, playgrounds, and other public improvements, including without limitation surface transportation projects, encouraging voluntary rehabilitation, and compelling the repair and rehabilitation of deteriorated or deteriorating structures; and the clearance and redevelopment of ~~slum areas~~ pockets of blight or portions thereof."

SECTION 6.

Said chapter is further amended by revising Code Section 36-61-7, relating to preparation of redevelopment plan, approval, modification, and effect of approval, as follows:

"36-61-7.

(a) A municipality or county shall not approve an urban redevelopment plan for an urban redevelopment area unless the governing body, by resolution, has determined such area to be a ~~slum area~~ pocket of blight and designated such area as appropriate for an urban redevelopment project. Authority is vested in every municipality and county to prepare, to adopt, and to revise, from time to time, a general plan for the physical development of the municipality or county as a whole (giving due regard to the environs and metropolitan surroundings), to establish and maintain a planning commission for such purpose and related municipal and county planning activities, and

to make available and to appropriate the necessary funds therefor. A municipality or county shall not acquire real property for an urban redevelopment project unless the local governing body has approved the urban redevelopment plan in accordance with subsection (d) of this Code section.

(b) The municipality or county may itself prepare or cause to be prepared an urban redevelopment plan; alternatively, any person or agency, public or private, may submit a plan to a municipality or county.

(c) The local governing body of the municipality or county shall hold or shall cause some agency of the municipality or county to hold a public hearing on an urban redevelopment plan or a substantial modification of an approved urban redevelopment plan, after public notice thereof by publication in a newspaper having a general circulation in the area of operation of the municipality or county. The notice shall describe the time, date, place, and purpose of the hearing, shall generally identify the urban redevelopment area covered by the plan, and shall outline the general scope of the urban redevelopment project under consideration.

(d) Following such hearing, the local governing body may approve an urban redevelopment plan if it finds that:

(1) A feasible method exists for the relocation of families who will be displaced from the urban redevelopment area in decent, safe, and sanitary dwelling accommodations within their means and without undue hardship to such families;

(2) The urban redevelopment plan conforms to the general plan of the municipality or county as a whole; and

(3) The urban redevelopment plan will afford maximum opportunity, consistent with the sound needs of the municipality or county as a whole, for the rehabilitation or redevelopment of the urban redevelopment area by private enterprise.

(e) An urban redevelopment plan may be modified at any time, provided that, if modified after the lease or sale by the municipality or county of real property in the urban redevelopment project area, such modification shall be subject to such rights at law or in equity as a lessee or purchaser or his <u>or her</u> successor or successors in interest may be entitled to assert. Any proposed modification which will substantially change the urban redevelopment plan as previously approved by the local governing body shall be subject to the requirements of this Code section, including the requirement of a public hearing, before it may be approved.

(f) Upon the approval of an urban redevelopment plan by a municipality or county, the provisions of the plan with respect to the future use and building requirements applicable to the property covered by the plan shall be controlling with respect thereto."

SECTION 7.

Said chapter is further amended by revising paragraphs (1), (6), and (9) of Code Section 36-61-8, relating to powers of municipalities and counties generally, as follows:

"(1) To undertake and carry out urban redevelopment projects within its area of operation; to make and execute contracts and other instruments necessary or

convenient to the exercise of its powers under this chapter; and to disseminate ~~slum~~ pocket of blight clearance and urban redevelopment information;"

"(6) Within their area of operation, to make or have made all plans necessary to the carrying out of the purposes of this chapter and to contract with any person, public or private, in making and carrying out such plans and to adopt or approve, modify, and amend such plans. Such plans may include, without limitation:

(A) A general plan for the locality as a whole;

(B) Urban redevelopment plans;

(C) Plans for carrying out a program of voluntary or compulsory repair and rehabilitation of buildings and improvements, to include but not to be limited to making loans and grants from funds received from the federal government, as well as from funds received from the repayment of such loans and interest thereon, to persons, public or private, owning private housing for the purpose of financing the rehabilitation of such housing;

(D) Plans for the enforcement of state and local laws, codes, and regulations relating to the use of land and the use and occupancy of buildings and improvements and to the compulsory repair, rehabilitation, demolition, or removal of buildings and improvements; and

(E) Appraisals, title searches, surveys, studies, and other preliminary plans and work necessary to prepare for the undertaking of urban redevelopment projects.

The municipality or county is authorized to develop, test, and report methods and techniques and to carry out demonstrations and other activities for the prevention and elimination of ~~slums~~ pockets of blight and to apply for, accept, and utilize grants of funds from the federal government for such purposes;"

"(9) Within their areas of operation, to organize, coordinate, and direct the administration of the provisions of this chapter as they apply to such municipality or county, in order that the objective of remedying ~~slums~~ pockets of blight and preventing the causes thereof within the municipality or county may be most effectively promoted and achieved, and to establish such new office or offices of the municipality or county or to reorganize existing offices in order to carry out such purpose most effectively~~.~~; and"

SECTION 8.

Said chapter is further amended by revising subsection (a) and paragraph (1) of subsection (b) of Code Section 36-61-10, relating to disposal of property in redevelopment area generally, notice and bidding procedures, exchange with veterans' organization, and temporary operation of property, as follows:

"(a) A municipality or county may sell, lease, or otherwise transfer real property in an urban redevelopment area or any interest therein acquired by it and may enter into contracts with respect thereto, for residential, recreational, commercial, industrial, or other uses or for public use; or the municipality or county may retain such property or interest for public use, in accordance with the urban redevelopment plan, subject to such covenants, conditions, and restrictions, including covenants running with the land

and including the incorporation by reference therein of the provisions of an urban redevelopment plan or any part thereof, as it may deem to be in the public interest or necessary or desirable to assist in preventing the development or spread of future ~~slums~~ pockets of blight or to otherwise carry out the purposes of this chapter. Such sale, lease, other transfer, or retention and any agreement relating thereto may be made only after the approval of the urban redevelopment plan by the local governing body. The purchasers or lessees and their successors and assigns shall be obligated to devote such real property only to the uses specified in the urban redevelopment plan and may be obligated to comply with such other requirements as the municipality or county may determine to be in the public interest, including the obligation to begin within a reasonable time any improvements on the real property required by the urban redevelopment plan. Such real property or interest shall be sold, leased, otherwise transferred, or retained at not less than its fair value for uses in accordance with the urban redevelopment plan. In determining the fair value of real property for uses in accordance with the urban redevelopment plan, a municipality or county shall take into account and give consideration to the uses provided in such plan; the restrictions upon and the covenants, conditions, and obligations assumed by the purchaser or lessee or by the municipality or county retaining the property; and the objectives of such plan for the prevention of the recurrence of ~~slum areas~~ pockets of blight. The municipality or county in any instrument of conveyance to a private purchaser or lessee may provide that such purchaser or lessee shall be without power to sell, lease, or otherwise transfer the real property without the prior written consent of the municipality or county until he or she has completed the construction of any and all improvements which he or she has obligated himself or herself to construct thereon. Real property acquired by a municipality or county which, in accordance with the provisions of the urban redevelopment plan, is to be transferred shall be transferred as rapidly as feasible in the public interest consistent with the carrying out of the provisions of the urban redevelopment plan. The inclusion in any such contract or conveyance to a purchaser or lessee of any such covenants, restrictions, or conditions, including the incorporation by reference therein of the provisions of an urban redevelopment plan or any part thereof, shall not prevent the filing of the contract or conveyance in the land records of the county in such manner as to afford actual or constructive notice thereof.

(b)(1) A municipality or county may dispose of real property in an urban redevelopment area to private persons only under such reasonable competitive bidding procedures as it shall prescribe, ~~or~~ as are provided in this subsection or, solely with respect to and for the benefit of advancing surface transportation projects, as provided in Code Section 36-61-4. A municipality or county, by public notice by publication once each week for two consecutive weeks in a newspaper having a general circulation in the community, prior to the execution of any contract to sell, lease, or otherwise transfer real property and prior to the delivery of any instrument of conveyance with respect thereto under this Code section, may invite proposals from and make available all pertinent information to private redevelopers or any persons interested in undertaking to redevelop or rehabilitate an urban redevelopment area or

any part thereof. The notice shall identify the area or portion thereof and shall state that such further information as is available may be obtained at such office as shall be designated in the notice. The municipality or county shall consider all such redevelopment or rehabilitation proposals and the financial and legal ability of the persons making such proposals to carry them out and may negotiate with any persons for proposals for the purchase, lease, or other transfer of any real property acquired by the municipality or county in the urban redevelopment area. The municipality or county may accept such proposal as it deems to be in the public interest and in furtherance of the purposes of this chapter. The municipality or county may execute contracts in accordance with subsection (a) of this Code section and deliver deeds, leases, and other instruments and take all steps necessary to effectuate such contracts."

SECTION 9.

Said chapter is further amended by revising Code Section 36-61-12, relating to the issuance of bonds for urban redevelopment projects, as follows:

"36-61-12.

(a) A municipality or county shall have power to issue bonds, in its discretion, from time to time, to finance the undertaking of any urban redevelopment project under this chapter, including, without limiting the generality thereof, the payment of principal and interest upon any advances for surveys and plans for urban redevelopment projects and shall also have power to issue refunding bonds for the payment of retirement of such bonds previously issued by it. Such bonds shall be made payable, as to both principal and interest, solely from the income, proceeds, revenues, and funds of the municipality or county derived from or held in connection with its undertaking and carrying out of urban redevelopment projects under this chapter; provided, however, that payment of such bonds, both as to principal and interest, may be further secured by a pledge of any loan, grant, or contribution from the federal government or other source, in aid of any urban redevelopment projects of the municipality or county under this chapter, and by a mortgage of any such urban redevelopment projects or any part thereof, title to which is in the municipality ~~or,~~ county, or redevelopment agency.

(b) Bonds issued under this Code section shall not constitute an indebtedness within the meaning of any constitutional or statutory debt limitation or restriction and shall not be subject to the provisions of any other law or charter relating to the authorization, issuance, or sale of bonds. Bonds issued under this chapter are declared to be issued for an essential public and governmental purpose and, together with interest thereon and income therefrom, shall be exempted from all taxes.

(c) Bonds issued under this Code section shall be authorized by resolution or ordinance of the local governing body. They may be issued in one or more series and shall bear such date or dates, be payable upon demand or mature at such time or times, bear interest at such rate or rates, be in such denomination or denominations, be in such form either coupon or registered, carry such conversion or registration privileges, have such rank or priority, be executed in such manner, be payable in such medium of payment, at

such place or places, be subject to such terms of redemption (with or without premium), be secured in such manner, and have such other characteristics as may be provided by the resolution of the local governing body or by the trust indenture or mortgage issued pursuant thereto.

(d) ~~Such bonds may be sold at not less than par at public sales held after notice published prior to such sales in a newspaper having a general circulation in the area of operation and in such other medium of publication as the municipality or county may determine or may be exchanged for other bonds on the basis of par. Such bonds may be sold to the federal government or to an institution insured by an agency of the federal government at private sale at not less than par and, in the event that less than all of the authorized principal amount of such bonds is sold to the federal government or to an institution insured by an agency of the federal government, the balance may be sold at private sale at not less than par at an interest cost to the municipality or county, such cost not to exceed the interest cost to the municipality or county of the portion of the bonds sold to the federal government or to an institution insured by an agency of the federal government.~~ All bonds issued under this Code section shall be issued and validated under and in accordance with the procedure set forth in Article 3 of Chapter 82 of this title. The provisions of any resolution or ordinance authorizing the issuance of bonds under this Code section shall be a contract with every holder of such bonds and enforceable by any bondholder by mandamus or other appropriate action or proceeding at law or in equity.

(e) If any of the public officials of the municipality or county whose signatures appear on any bonds or coupons issued under this chapter cease to be such officials before the delivery of the bonds, such signatures, nevertheless, shall be valid and sufficient for all purposes, the same as if the officials had remained in office until the delivery. Any provision of any law to the contrary notwithstanding, any bonds issued pursuant to this chapter shall be fully negotiable.

(f) In any suit, action, or proceeding involving the validity or enforceability of any bond issued under this chapter or the security therefor, any such bond reciting in substance that it has been issued by the municipality or county in connection with an urban redevelopment project, as defined in paragraph ~~(22)~~(24) of Code Section 36-61-2, shall be conclusively deemed to have been issued for such purpose and such project shall be conclusively deemed to have been planned, located, and carried out in accordance with this chapter. Suits, actions, and proceedings instituted under this paragraph may be initiated under and in accordance with, and have all the privileges under, Article 3 of Chapter 82 of this title, the 'Revenue Bond Law,' except as otherwise provided in this chapter.

(g) Any urban redevelopment agency or housing authority which a municipality or county has elected to exercise powers under Code Section 36-61-17 may also issue bonds, as provided in this Code section, in the same manner as a municipality or county, except that such bonds shall be authorized and the terms and conditions thereof shall be prescribed by the commissioners of such urban redevelopment agency or housing authority in lieu of the local governing body."

SECTION 10.

Said chapter is further amended by revising subsection (b) of Code Section 36-61-14, related to property exempt from taxes and from levy and sale by virtue of an execution, as follows:

"(b) The property of a municipality, ~~or~~ county, or any other public body, acquired or held for the purpose of this chapter, is declared to be public property used for essential public and governmental purposes and such property shall be exempt from all taxes of the municipality, the county, the state, or any political subdivision thereof. Such tax exemption shall terminate when the municipality or county sells, leases, or otherwise disposes of property in an urban redevelopment area to a purchaser or lessee who or which is not a public body."

SECTION 11.

Said chapter is further amended by revising subsection (a) of Code Section 36-61-16, relating to cooperation by public bodies, as follows:

"(a) For the purpose of aiding in the planning, undertaking, or carrying out of an urban redevelopment project located within the area in which it is authorized to act, any public body, upon such terms, with or without consideration, as it may determine, may:

(1) Dedicate, sell, convey, or lease any of its interest in any property or grant easements, licenses, or other rights or privileges therein to a municipality or county;

(2) Incur the entire expense of any public improvements made by such public body in exercising the powers granted in this Code section;

(3) Do any and all things necessary to aid or cooperate in the planning or carrying out of an urban redevelopment plan;

(4) Lend, grant, or contribute funds to a municipality or county;

(5) Enter into agreements (which may extend over any period, notwithstanding any provision or rule of law to the contrary) with a municipality or county or other public body respecting action to be taken pursuant to any of the powers granted by this chapter, including the furnishing of funds or other assistance in connection with an urban redevelopment project and other provisions allocating legal responsibility for matters arising under or in connection with transactions entered into pursuant to Code Section 36-61-4; and

(6) Cause public buildings and public facilities, including parks, trails, greenspace, playgrounds, recreational, community, education, transit, water, sewer, or drainage facilities, or any other works which it is otherwise empowered to undertake, to be furnished; furnish, dedicate, close, vacate, pave, install, grade, regrade, plan, or replan streets, roads, sidewalks, ways, or other places; plan, replan, zone, or rezone any part of the public body or make exceptions from building regulations; and cause administrative and other services to be furnished to the municipality or county.

If at any time title to or possession of any urban redevelopment project is held by any public body or governmental agency, other than the municipality or county, which is authorized by law to engage in the undertaking, carrying out, or administration of urban redevelopment projects, including any agency or instrumentality of the United States of

America, the provisions of the agreements referred to in this subsection shall inure to the benefit of and may be enforced by such public body or governmental agency. As used in this subsection, the terms 'municipality' and 'county' shall also include an urban redevelopment agency or a housing authority vested with all of the urban redevelopment project powers pursuant to Code Section 36-61-17."

SECTION 12.

Said chapter is further amended by revising subsection (b) of Code Section 36-61-17, relating to exercise of redevelopment powers by municipalities and counties and delegation to redevelopment agency or housing authority, as follows:

"(b) As used in this Code section, the term 'urban redevelopment project powers' shall include all of the rights, powers, functions, duties, privileges, immunities, and exemptions granted to a municipality or county under this chapter, except the following:

(1) The power to determine an area to be a ~~slum area~~ pocket of blight and to designate such area as appropriate for an urban redevelopment project;

(2) The power to approve and amend urban redevelopment plans;

(3) The power to establish a general plan for the locality as a whole;

(4) The power to formulate a workable program under Code Section 36-61-6;

(5) The powers, duties, and functions referred to in Code Section 36-61-11;

(6) The power to make the determinations and findings provided for in Code Section 36-61-4, Code Section 36-61-5, and subsection (d) of Code Section 36-61-7;

(7) The power to issue general obligation bonds; and

(8) The power to appropriate funds, to levy taxes and assessments, and to exercise other powers provided for in paragraph (8) of Code Section 36-61-8."

SECTION 13.

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	Coomer	N Gregory	Y McCall	Y Sims, C
Y Alexander	Y Cooper	Y Hamilton	Y McClain	Y Smith, E
Y Allison	Y Dawkins-Haigler	Y Harbin	Y Meadows	Y Smith, L
Y Anderson	Y Deffenbaugh	Y Harden	E Mitchell	Y Smith, M
Y Atwood	Y Dempsey	Y Harrell	N Moore	Y Smith, R
Y Ballinger	Y Dickerson	Y Hatchett	Y Morgan	Y Smyre
Y Barr	Y Dickey	Y Hawkins	Y Morris	Y Spencer
Y Battles	Y Dickson	Y Henson	Y Mosby	Y Stephens, M
E Beasley-Teague	Y Dollar	Y Hightower	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 Stover
Y Benton	Y Dukes	Y Holt	Y Pak	Y Strickland
Y Beverly	Y Dunahoo	Y Houston	Y Parrish	Y Talton
Y Black	Y Duncan	Y Howard	Y Parsons	Y Tankersley
N Braddock	Y Dutton	Y Hugley	Y Peake	Y Tanner
Y Broadrick	Y Efstration	Y Jackson	Y Pezold	Y Tarvin
Y Brockway	Y Ehrhart	Y Jacobs	Y Powell, A	Y Taylor, D
Y Brooks	Y England	Y Jasperse	Y Powell, J	Y Taylor, T
Y Bruce	Y Epps, C	Y Jones, J	Y Prince	Y Teasley
Y Bryant	Y Epps, J	Y Jones, L	Y Pruett	Y Thomas, A.M.
Y Buckner	Y Evans	Y Jones, S	Y Quick	Y Turner
Y Burns	Y Fleming	Y Jordan	Y Ramsey	Y Waites
Y Caldwell, J	Y Floyd	Y Kaiser	Y Randall	Y Watson, B
Y Caldwell, M	Y Fludd	Y Kelley	Y Rice	Y Watson, S
Y Carson	Y Frazier	Y Kendrick	Y Riley	Y Welch
Y Carter	Y Frye	Y Kidd	Y Roberts	Y Weldon
Y Casas	Y Fullerton	Y Kirby	Y Rogers, C	Y Wilkerson
Y Chandler	Y Gardner	Y Knight	Y Rogers, T	Y Wilkinson
Y Channell	Y Gasaway	Y Lindsey	Y Rutledge	Willard
N Chapman	Y Geisinger	Y Lumsden	Y Rynders	Y Williams, A
Y Cheokas	Y Glanton	Y Mabra	Y Scott	Y Williams, C
Y Clark, J	Y Golick	Y Marin	Setzler	Y Williams, E
Y Clark, V	Y Gordon	Y Martin	Y Sharper	Williamson
Y Coleman	Y Gravley	Y Maxwell	Y Shaw	E Yates
Y Cooke	Y Greene	Y Mayo	Sims, B	Ralston, Speaker

On the passage of the Bill, by substitute, the ayes were 167, nays 4.

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

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

HOUSE SUPPLEMENTAL RULES CALENDAR #2
TUESDAY, MARCH 18, 2014

Mr. Speaker and Members of the House:

The Committee on Rules has fixed the calendar for this 39th Legislative Day as enumerated below:

DEBATE CALENDAR

Pursuant to Rule 33.3, debate shall be limited to no more than one hour on all legislation. Time to be allocated at the discretion of the Speaker.

Modified Open Rule

HR 1724	Sustainable Forestry Initiative; state-wide support for sustainable forest certification; encourage (NR&E-Williams-119th)
SB 187	State Government; provide exemption for the board of commissioners of Georgia Student Finance Commission; board of directors (Substitute)(JudyNC-Willard-51st) Hill-32nd
SB 274	Capitol Arts Standards Commission; designation of areas within capitol museum; Georgia Capitol Agricultural History Museum areas (SProp-Greene-151st) Seay-34th
SB 294	Electrical Contractor Class II; provide that a person licensed may perform low-voltage contracting without obtaining a state-wide Low-voltage Contractor Class (Substitute)(RegI-Dickson-6th) Murphy-27th
SB 352	Georgia Council on Lupus Education and Awareness; create (H&HS-Cooper-43rd) Unterman-45th
SB 364	Juvenile Code; revise and correct errors or omissions (Substitute)(JuvJ-Weldon-3rd) Stone-23rd
SB 365	Fair Business Practices Act; enact offender reentry reforms as recommended by the Georgia Council on Criminal Justice Reform (Substitute)(JuvJ-Golick-40th) Stone-23rd
SB 386	Civil Practice; prohibit public disclosure; social security numbers, taxpayers identification numbers; court documents (Substitute)(Judy-Jacobs-80th) Albers-56th
SR 981	Violence Against Health Care Workers; create joint study committee (H&HS-Dempsey-13th) Unterman-45th

Modified Structured Rule

SB 98	"Federal Abortion Mandate Opt-out Act" (Substitute)(Ins-Taylor-173rd) Hill-32nd (Rules Committee Substitute) (AM# 25 1335)
SB 283	Education; authorize school systems; provide instruction on history of traditional winter celebrations (Ed-Gravley-67th) Dugan-30th (AM# 33 1437)
SB 340	Official Code of Georgia Annotated; revise, modernize, correct errors; reenact statutory portion of said Code (Substitute)(CR-Jacobs-80th) Stone-23rd (AM# 25 1333)
SB 343	Education; provide no high school which receives funding under the "Quality Basic Education Act"; shall participate in sponsor interscholastic sport events conducted by any athletic association (Substitute)(B&FAO-Roberts-155th) Mullis-53rd (AM# 33 1432)
SB 350	Human Services, Dept. of; bidding out of child welfare services state wide through contracts with community based providers (Substitute)(Judy-Rogers-29th) Unterman-45th

SB 381 "Georgia First Informer Broadcasters Act"; provide planning for first informer broadcasters; definitions (PS&HS-Atwood-179th) Beach-21st

SB 392 Motor Vehicles; provide additional definition; acceptance of applications for registration; not in compliance with federal emission standards (MotV-Epps-144th) Gooch-51st (AM# 39 0070)

Structured Rule

SR 415 Taxes; increase in state income tax rate prohibited -CA (Substitute)(W&M-Ramsey-72nd) Shafer-48th

SR 875 Property Tax Digest Impact on Education Funding; create Joint Study Committee (Substitute)(W&M-Knight-130th) Hill-4th

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

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

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

SB 340. By Senators Stone of the 23rd and Hufstetler of the 52nd:

A BILL to be entitled an Act to amend the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, so as to revise, modernize, correct errors or omissions in, and reenact the statutory portion of said Code, as amended, in furtherance of the work of the Code Revision Commission; to repeal portions of said Code, or Acts in amendment thereof, which have become obsolete, have been declared to be unconstitutional, or have been preempted or superseded by subsequent laws; to provide for other matters relating to revision, reenactment, and publication of said Code; to provide for effect in event of conflicts; to provide for effective dates; to repeal conflicting laws; and for other purposes.

The following Committee substitute was read:

A BILL TO BE ENTITLED
AN ACT

To amend the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, so as to revise, modernize, correct errors or omissions in, and reenact the statutory portion of said Code, as amended, in

furtherance of the work of the Code Revision Commission; to repeal portions of said Code, or Acts in amendment thereof, which have become obsolete, have been declared to be unconstitutional, or have been preempted or superseded by subsequent laws; to revise a provision relating to liens on self-service storage facilities; to provide for other matters relating to revision, reenactment, and publication of said Code; to provide for effect in event of conflicts; to provide for effective dates; to repeal conflicting laws; and for other purposes.

BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF GEORGIA:

SECTION 1.

Reserved.

SECTION 2.

Title 2 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to agriculture, is amended in:

(1) Code Section 2-8-90, relating to definitions regarding the Agricultural Commodity Commission for Georgia Grown Products, by redesignating current paragraphs (5) and (6) as new paragraphs (6) and (5), respectively, and reordering such paragraphs so as to put definitions in alphabetical order.

(2) Code Section 2-8-93, relating to the composition and membership of the Agricultural Commodity Commission for Georgia Grown Products, in paragraph (4) of subsection (a), by replacing "House of Representatives Committee on Agriculture and Consumer Affairs" with "House Committee on Agriculture and Consumer Affairs" and in subsections (b) and (c) and paragraph (3) of subsection (d), by replacing "appointive" with "appointed".

(3) Code Section 2-8-98, relating to the recommendation of promulgation of a marketing order by the Agricultural Commodity Commission for Georgia Grown Products, in paragraph (1), by replacing "name; provided" with "name; and provided".

(4) Code Section 2-8-99, relating to amendments to marketing orders, notice, rules and regulations, and termination of orders by the Agricultural Commodity Commission for Georgia Grown Products, in paragraph (1) of subsection (a), by replacing "appointive" with "appointed".

SECTION 3.

Reserved.

SECTION 4.

Reserved.

SECTION 5.

Reserved.

SECTION 6.

Reserved.

SECTION 7.

Reserved.

SECTION 8.

Title 8 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to buildings and housing, is amended in:

(1) Code Section 8-2-144, relating to reporting and accounting for fees by the Commissioner of Insurance, by replacing "Senate Budget Office" with "Senate Budget and Evaluation Office" and "House Budget Office" with "House Budget and Research Office".

SECTION 9.

Reserved.

SECTION 10.

Title 10 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to commerce and trade, is amended in:

(1) Code Section 10-1-393, relating to unfair or deceptive practices in consumer transactions unlawful and examples, in subparagraph (b)(16)(N), by replacing "Chapter 17 of Title 48" with "Article 3 of Chapter 27 of Title 50".

(2) Code Section 10-4-213, relating to enforcement of liens without judicial intervention, by revising as follows:

"10-4-213.

Provided that it complies with the requirements of this Code section, an owner may enforce the lien without judicial intervention. The owner shall obtain from the occupant a written rental agreement which includes the following language:

This agreement, made and entered into this _____ day of _____, ____, by and between _____, hereinafter called Owner, and _____, hereinafter called Occupant, whose last known address is _____. For the consideration hereinafter stated, Owner agrees to let Occupant use and occupy a space in the self-service storage facility, known as _____, situated in the City of _____, County of _____, State of Georgia, and more particularly described as follows: Building #_____, Space #_____, Size _____. Said space is to be occupied and used for the purposes specified herein and subject to the conditions set forth for a period of _____, beginning on the _____ day of _____, ____, and continuing month to month until terminated.

'Space,' as used in this agreement, will be that part of the self-service storage facility as described above. Occupant agrees to pay Owner, as payment for the use of the space and improvements thereon, the monthly sum of $_____. Monthly installments are payable in advance on or before the first of each month, in the

amount of $_____, and a like amount for each month thereafter, until the termination of this agreement.

If any monthly installment is not paid by the seventh calendar day of the month due, or if any check given in payment is dishonored by the financial institution on which it is drawn, Occupant shall be deemed to be in default.

Occupant further agrees to pay the sum of one month's fees, which shall be used as a clean-up and maintenance fund, and is to be used, if required, for the repair of any damage done to the space and to clean up the space at the termination of the agreement. In the event that the space is left in a good state of repair, and in a broom-swept condition, then this amount shall be refunded to Occupant. However, it is agreed to between the parties that Owner may set off any claims it may have against Occupant from this fund.

The space named herein is to be used by Occupant solely for the purpose of storing any personal property belonging to Occupant. Occupant agrees not to store any explosives or any highly inflammable goods or any other goods in the space which would cause danger to the space. Occupant agrees that the property will not be used for any unlawful purposes and Occupant agrees not to commit waste, nor alter, nor affix signs on the space, and to keep the space in good condition during the term of this agreement.

OWNER HAS A LIEN ON ALL PERSONAL PROPERTY STORED IN OCCUPANT'S SPACE FOR RENT, LABOR, OR OTHER CHARGES, PRESENT OR FUTURE, IN RELATION TO THE PERSONAL PROPERTY, AND FOR ITS PRESERVATION OR EXPENSES REASONABLY INCURRED IN ITS SALE OR OTHER DISPOSITION PURSUANT TO THIS AGREEMENT. PERSONAL PROPERTY STORED IN OCCUPANT'S SPACE WILL BE SOLD OR OTHERWISE DISPOSED OF IF NO PAYMENT HAS BEEN RECEIVED FOR A CONTINUOUS THIRTY-DAY PERIOD AFTER DEFAULT. IN ADDITION, UPON OCCUPANT'S DEFAULT, OWNER MAY WITHOUT NOTICE DENY OCCUPANT ACCESS TO THE PERSONAL PROPERTY STORED IN OCCUPANT'S SPACE UNTIL SUCH TIME AS PAYMENT IS RECEIVED. IF ANY MONTHLY INSTALLMENT IS NOT MADE BY THE SEVENTH CALENDAR DAY OF THE MONTH DUE, OR IF ANY CHECK GIVEN IN PAYMENT IS DISHONORED BY THE FINANCIAL INSTITUTION ON WHICH IT IS DRAWN, OCCUPANT IS IN DEFAULT FROM DATE PAYMENT WAS DUE.

I hereby agree that all notices other than bills and invoices shall be given by hand delivery, verified mail, or e-mail at the following addresses:

_____(hand delivery)
_____(verified mail)
_____(e-mail).

and I further understand that I may designate to owner an agent to receive such notice by providing:

_____(hand delivery)

_____(verified mail)
_____(e-mail).

For purposes of Owner's lien: 'personal property' means movable property, not affixed to land, and includes, but is not limited to, goods, wares, merchandise, motor vehicles, trailers, watercraft, household items, and furnishings; 'last known address' means the street address, ~~or~~ post office box address, or e-mail address provided by Occupant in the latest rental agreement or the address provided by Occupant in a subsequent written notice of a change of address by hand delivery, verified mail, or e-mail.

Owner's lien is superior to any other lien or security interest, except those which are evidenced by a certificate of title or perfected and recorded prior to the date of this rental agreement in Georgia, in the name of Occupant, either in the county of Occupant's 'last known address' or in the county where the self-service storage facility is located, except any tax lien as provided by law and except those liens or security interests of whom Owner has knowledge through Occupant's disclosure in this rental agreement or through other written notice. Occupant attests that the personal property in Occupant's space(s) is free and clear of all liens and secured interests except for _____. Owner's lien attaches as of the date the personal property is brought to the self-service storage facility.

Except as otherwise specifically provided in this rental agreement, the exclusive care, custody, and control of any and all personal property stored in the leased space shall remain vested in Occupant. Owner does not become a bailee of Occupant's personal property by the enforcement of Owner's lien.

If Occupant has been in default continuously for thirty (30) days, Owner may enforce its lien, provided Owner shall comply with the following procedure:

Occupant shall be notified of Owner's intent to enforce Owner's lien by written notice delivered in person, by verified mail, or by e-mail. Owner also shall notify other parties with superior liens or security interests as defined in this rental agreement. A notice given pursuant to this rental agreement shall be presumed sent when it is deposited with the United States Postal Service or the statutory overnight delivery service properly addressed with postage or delivery fees prepaid or sent by e-mail. If Owner sends notice of a pending sale of property to Occupant's last known e-mail address and does not receive a nonautomated response or a receipt of delivery to the e-mail address, Owner shall send notice of the sale to Occupant by verified mail to Occupant's last known address or to the last known address of the designated agent of the Occupant before proceeding with the sale.

Owner's notice to Occupant shall include an itemized statement of Owner's claim showing the sum due at the time of the notice and the date when the sum became due. Owner's notice shall notify Occupant of denial of access to the personal property and provide the name, street address, e-mail address, and telephone number of Owner or its designated agent, whom Occupant may contact to respond to this notice. Owner's notice shall demand payment within a specified time, not less than fourteen (14) days after ~~delivery of~~ the notice is sent. It shall state that, unless the claim is paid, within the time stated in the notice, the personal property will be

advertised for public sale to the highest bidder, and will be sold at a public sale to the highest bidder, at a specified time and place.

After the expiration of the time given in Owner's notice, Owner shall publish an advertisement of the public sale to the highest bidder, once a week, for two consecutive weeks, in the legal organ for the county where the self-service storage facility is located. The sale shall be deemed commercially reasonable if at least three (3) independent bidders attend the sale at the time and place advertised. 'Independent bidder' means a bidder who is not related to and who has no controlling interest in, or common pecuniary interest with, Owner or any other bidder. The advertisement shall include: a brief and general description of the personal property, reasonably adequate to permit its identification; the address of the self-service storage facility, and the number, if any, of the space where the personal property is located, and the name of Occupant; and the time, place, and manner of the public sale. The public sale to the highest bidder shall take place not sooner than fifteen (15) days after the first publication. Regardless of whether a sale involves the property of more than one Occupant, a single advertisement may be used to advertise the disposal of property at the sale. A public sale includes offering the property on a publicly accessible website that regularly conducts online auctions of personal property. Such sale shall be considered incidental to the self-storage business and no license shall be required.

If no one purchases the property at the public sale and if Owner has complied with the foregoing procedures, Owner may otherwise dispose of the property and shall notify Occupant of the action taken. Any sale or disposition of the personal property shall be held at the self-service storage facility or at the nearest suitable place to where the personal property is held or stored.

Before any sale or other disposition of personal property pursuant to this agreement, Occupant may pay the amount necessary to satisfy the lien and the reasonable expenses incurred and thereby redeem the personal property and thereafter Owner shall have no liability to any person with respect to such personal property.

A Purchaser in good faith of the personal property sold to satisfy Owner's lien takes the property free of any rights of persons against whom the lien was valid, despite noncompliance by Owner with the requirements of this agreement.

In the event of a sale, Owner may satisfy his or her lien from the proceeds of the sale. Owner shall hold the balance of the proceeds, if any, for Occupant or any notified secured interest holder. If not claimed within two years of the date of sale, the balance of the proceeds shall be disposed of in accordance with Article 5 of Chapter 12 of Title 44, the 'Disposition of Unclaimed Property Act.' In no event shall Owner's liability exceed the proceeds of the sale.

If the rental agreement contains a limit on the value of property stored in Occupant's storage space, the limit shall be deemed to be the maximum value of the property stored in that space.

If the property upon which the lien is claimed is a motor vehicle, trailer, or watercraft and rent and other charges related to the property remain unpaid or unsatisfied for 60 days following the maturity of the obligation to pay rent, Owner may have the

property towed in lieu of foreclosing on the lien. If a motor vehicle, trailer, or watercraft is towed as authorized in this section, Owner shall not be liable for the motor vehicle, trailer, or watercraft or any damages to the motor vehicle, trailer, or watercraft once the tower takes possession of the property."

SECTION 11.

Reserved.

SECTION 12.

Title 12 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to conservation and natural resources, is amended in:

(1) Code Section 12-3-50, relating to the powers and duties of the Department of Natural Resources as to historic preservation and promotion, by designating the introductory text as subsection (a) and by redesignating paragraph (7) as subsection (b).

SECTION 13.

Reserved.

SECTION 14.

Reserved.

SECTION 15.

Title 15 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to courts, is amended in:

(1) Code Section 15-1-16, relating to mental health court divisions, after paragraph (3) of subsection (a), by inserting a paragraph (4) designation preceding the subparagraph (A) designation.

(2) Code Section 15-3-4, relating to the election and term of office of Judges of the Court of Appeals, in the introductory text, by replacing "state election to be held on Tuesday after the first Monday in November of the even-numbered years" with "primary in each even-numbered year".

(3) Code Section 15-6-77.4, relating to an additional divorce case filing fee for the Children's Trust Fund, in subsection (a), by replacing "House Budget Office" with "House Budget and Research Office" and "Senate Budget Office" with "Senate Budget and Evaluation Office".

(4) Code Section 15-9-60.1, relating to an additional marriage license fee for the Children's Trust Fund, by replacing "House Budget Office" with "House Budget and Research Office" and "Senate Budget Office" with "Senate Budget and Evaluation Office".

(5) Code Section 15-11-282, relating to the service of a summons in regard to the termination of parental rights, at the end of subsection (c), by replacing "request" with "requested".

(6) Code Section 15-18-12, relating to travel expenses, provision of county vehicle, and budget request for state funds regarding district attorneys, in paragraph (3) of subsection

(e), by replacing "House Budget Office" with "House Budget and Research Office" and "Senate Budget Office" with "Senate Budget and Evaluation Office".
(7) Code Section 15-21-74, relating to the assessment and collection of penalties, transfer of payments to Georgia Superior Court Clerks' Cooperative Authority, and quarterly accounting regarding peace officer, prosecutor, and indigent defense funding, by replacing "House Budget Office" with "House Budget and Research Office" and "Senate Budget Office" with "Senate Budget and Evaluation Office".
(8) Code Section 15-21-113, relating to the assessment and collection of penalty, payment to the Georgia Superior Court Clerks' Cooperative Authority, and quarterly reports and accounting regarding compensation to victims of violators of driving under the influence statute, by replacing "House Budget Office" with "House Budget and Research Office" and "Senate Budget Office" with "Senate Budget and Evaluation Office".
(9) Code Section 15-21A-6.1, relating to the judicial operations fund fee and collection and reporting procedure, in subsection (c), by replacing "House Budget Office" with "House Budget and Research Office" and "Senate Budget Office" with "Senate Budget and Evaluation Office".
(10) Code Section 15-21A-6.2, relating to the exemption from judicial operations fund fee and collection and reporting procedures, in subsection (c), by replacing "House Budget Office" with "House Budget and Research Office" and "Senate Budget Office" with "Senate Budget and Evaluation Office".
(11) Code Section 15-21A-7, relating to judicial rules, regulations, reporting, and accounting by the Georgia Superior Court Clerks' Cooperative Authority, in subsection (c), by replacing "House Budget Office" with "House Budget and Research Office" and "Senate Budget Office" with "Senate Budget and Evaluation Office".

SECTION 16.

Title 16 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to crimes and offenses, is amended in:
(1) Code Section 16-13-21, relating to definitions regarding schedules, offenses, and penalties in the regulation of controlled substances, by redesignating and reordering current paragraph (29) as new paragraph (17.1), so as to put definitions in alphabetical order.
(2) Code Section 16-13-71, relating to the definitions of dangerous drugs, by redesignating current paragraphs (77.5) and (78) as new paragraphs (78) and (77.5), respectively, and reordering such paragraphs so as to put definitions in alphabetical order.

SECTION 17.

Title 17 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to criminal procedure, is amended in:
(1) Code Section 17-5-22, relating to the issuance of search warrants by judicial officers generally and maintenance of docket record of warrants issued, in the last sentence, by inserting "that" after "however," and by inserting a comma after "him".

(2) Code Section 17-5-32, relating to search and seizure of documentary evidence in the possession of an attorney and exclusion of illegally obtained evidence, in subsection (d), by replacing "case in chief" with "case-in-chief".
(3) Code Section 17-10-6.1, relating to punishment for serious violent offenders and authorization for reduction in mandatory minimum sentencing, in paragraph (4) of subsection (c), by replacing "however, during" with "however, that during".
(4) Code Section 17-12-7, relating to the Georgia Public Defender Standards Council councilmembers, responsibilities, voting, removal, quorum, meetings, officers, and expenses, in subsection (c), by replacing "council members" with "councilmembers".
(5) Code Section 17-15-8, relating to victim compensation and required findings, amount of award, rejection of claim, reductions, exemption from garnishment and execution, exemption from treatment as ordinary income, effective date for awards, psychological counseling for relatives of deceased, and memorials for victims of DUI homicide, in paragraph (1) of subsection (c), by replacing "with respect" with "that with respect" each time the term appears.
(6) Code Section 17-17-7, relating to the notification to a victim of an accused's arrest and proceedings where the accused's release is considered and the victim's right to express an opinion in pending proceedings and to file a written complaint in the event of release, in subsection (e), by designating the introductory text as paragraph (1) and by redesignating current paragraphs (1) and (2) as new paragraphs (2) and (3), respectively.
(7) Code Section 17-17-9, relating to the exclusion of a testifying victim from criminal proceedings and separate victims' waiting areas, in subsection (b), by replacing "Code Section 24-6-616" with "Code Section 24-6-615".
(8) Code Section 17-17-14, relating to a victim being required to provide a current address and phone number to notifying parties, in paragraph (2) of subsection (a), by deleting "and" after the semicolon at the end.

SECTION 18.

Reserved.

SECTION 19.

Title 19 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to domestic relations, is amended in:
(1) Code Section 19-11-30.2, relating to definitions and information from financial institutions regarding the "Child Support Recovery Act," in paragraph (3) of subsection (a), by deleting "listed in paragraph (3) of this subsection".
(2) Code Section 19-11-32, relating to the process to collect delinquent support accounts and limitation regarding child support recovery actions, in subsection (c), by replacing "paragraph (3)" with "paragraph (2)".

SECTION 20.

Title 20 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to education, is amended in:

(1) Code Section 20-1A-30, relating to definitions regarding background checks in the Department of Early Care and Learning, in subparagraph (C) of paragraph (3), by deleting ", relating to battery,".
(2) Code Section 20-2-54, which is repealed, by designating said Code section as reserved.
(3) Code Section 20-2-102, which is repealed, by designating said Code section as reserved.
(4) Code Section 20-2-105, which is repealed, by designating said Code section as reserved.
(5) Code Section 20-2-106, which is repealed, by designating said Code section as reserved.
(6) Code Section 20-2-107, which is repealed, by designating said Code section as reserved.
(7) Code Section 20-2-320, relating to the Education Information Steering Committee, identification of data to implement the Quality Basic Education Program, and the state-wide comprehensive educational information network, in subsection (c), by replacing "Senate Budget Office" with "Senate Budget and Evaluation Office", "House Budget Office" with "House Budget and Research Office", and "House and Senate Appropriations, Education, Education and Youth, and Higher Education committees" with "House and Senate Appropriation Committees, the House Committee on Education, the Senate Education and Youth Committee, the House Committee on Higher Education, and the Senate Higher Education Committee".
(8) Article 13 of Chapter 2 of Title 20, which is repealed, by designating said article as reserved.
(9) Article 24 of Chapter 2 of Title 20, which is repealed, by designating said article as reserved.
(10) Code Section 20-2-2062, relating to definitions regarding charter schools, in paragraph (3.1), by replacing "Code Section 20-2-2063.1" with "Code Section 20-2-2063.2".
(11) Code Section 20-2-2114, relating to qualifications for scholarship, financial responsibility, state-wide assessments, exception, and compliance, in paragraph (3) of subsection (a), by deleting "(IEP)" after "Individualized Education Program".
(12) Code Section 20-3-45.1, relating to the powers and duties of the Georgia Historical Records Advisory Council, in paragraph (10), by replacing "this part" with "this article".
(13) Code Section 20-3-133, relating to payments from the Board of Regents of the University System of Georgia to local operating authorities, local support from fees and taxes, and audits, by replacing "Senate Budget Office" with "Senate Budget and Evaluation Office" and "House Budget Office" with "House Budget and Research Office".
(14) Code Section 20-14-26.1, relating to the authority to incorporate nonprofit corporation as public foundation, requirements, Public Education Innovation Fund Foundation, and reporting regarding the Office of Student Achievement, in subsection (a), by replacing "department" with "office".

SECTION 21.

Title 21 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to elections, is amended in:

(1) Code Section 21-4-3, relating to definitions regarding the recall of public officers, in paragraph (10), by deleting "as defined in paragraph (4) of this Code section" and by redesignating and reordering said current paragraph (10) as new paragraph (3.1), so as to put definitions in alphabetical order.

SECTION 22.

Reserved.

SECTION 23.

Title 23 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to equity, is amended in:

(1) Code Section 23-3-125, relating to civil investigative demands under taxpayer protection against false claims, in subsection (k), by inserting a paragraph (3) designation preceding the subparagraph (A) designation following subparagraph (k)(2)(B).

SECTION 24.

Reserved.

SECTION 25.

Title 25 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to fire protection and safety, is amended in:

(1) Code Section 25-9-13, relating to penalties for violations of the chapter, bonds, enforcement, advisory committee, dispose of settlement recommendations regarding blasting or excavating near utility facilities, in subparagraph (h)(2)(A), by deleting the subsection (h) designation preceding the subparagraph (2)(A) designation.

SECTION 26.

Reserved.

SECTION 27.

Reserved.

SECTION 28.

Title 28 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to the General Assembly, is amended in:

(1) Code Section 28-5-6, relating to the powers, duties, and responsibilities of the Senate Budget Office and the House Budget Office, by replacing "Senate Budget Office" with "Senate Budget and Evaluation Office" and "House Budget Office" with "House Budget and Research Office" each time those terms appear throughout said Code section and in subsection (c) by replacing "House Appropriations Committee" with "House Committee on Appropriations", "House Budget and Fiscal Affairs Oversight Committee" with

"House Committee on Budget and Fiscal Affairs Oversight", and "Speaker of the House" with "Speaker of the House of Representatives".

(2) Code Section 28-5-42, relating to the introduction of bills having significant impact upon anticipated revenues or expenditures and furnishing of fiscal notes by the General Assembly, in paragraph (1) of subsection (c), by replacing "Senate Budget Office" with "Senate Budget and Evaluation Office" and "House Budget Office" with "House Budget and Research Office".

(3) Code Section 28-9-5, relating to the publication of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, the authority to make corrections and editorial changes, the authority to introduce legislation, and the effect of corrections and changes, by:

(A) Redesignating current subsection (c) as new undesignated text at the end of subsection (a) and by replacing "subsection (a) of this Code section" with "this subsection" and "subsection (b)" with "subsection (c)" in said undesignated text;

(B) Redesignating current subsection (b) as new subsection (c);

(C) Codifying subsection (d) of Section 54 of an Act to amend the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, so as to revise, modernize, and correct errors or omissions in said Code in furtherance of the work of the Code Revision Commission, approved April 24, 2013 (Ga. L. 2013, p. 141), as new subsection (b) to read as follows:

"(b) For purposes of publishing volumes, replacement volumes, and supplements to the Official Code of Georgia Annotated pursuant to this chapter: legislation enacted at the same session of the General Assembly and amending the same statutory provision shall be considered in pari materia, and full effect shall be given to each if that is possible; Acts enacted during the same session shall be treated as conflicting with each other only to the extent that they cannot be given effect simultaneously; in the event of such a conflict, the latest enactment, as determined by the order in which bills became law with or without the approval of the Governor, shall control to the extent of the conflict unless the latest enactment contains a provision expressly ceding control in such an event; and language carried forward unchanged in one amendatory Act shall not be read as conflicting with changed language contained in another Act passed during the same session."; and

(D) Adding to the end of new subsection (c) the following:

"Except as otherwise provided by law, such reenactment of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated shall have the effect of adopting and giving force and effect of law to all the statutory text and numbering as contained in such volumes, pocket parts, and supplements, including but not limited to provisions as published therein in accordance with subsections (a) and (b) of this Code section."

SECTION 29.

Title 29 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to guardian and ward, is amended in:

(1) Code Section 29-5-32, relating to the investment of estate funds by a conservator, in paragraph (12), by repealing and reserving said paragraph, which refers to an obsolete entity.

SECTION 30.

Reserved.

SECTION 31.

Title 31 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to health, is amended in:

(1) Code Section 31-8-179.2, relating to the Department of Community Health authorized to assess one or more provider payments on hospitals for the purpose of obtaining federal financial participation for Medicaid, in the introductory text of subsection (a), by replacing "42 CFR 433.68" with "42 C.F.R. 433.68" and in paragraph (2) of subsection (a), by inserting a comma after "2012".

(2) Article 10 of Chapter 8, relating to the Georgia Alzheimer's and Related Dementias State Plan Task Force, which task force stands abolished on March 31, 2014, is hereby repealed.

SECTION 32.

Reserved.

SECTION 33.

Title 33 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to insurance, is amended in:

(1) Code Section 33-13-3.1, relating to the acquisition of insurer and effect on competition regarding insurance holding company systems, in subsection (f), by replacing "Paragraphs" with "Subsections".

(2) Code Section 33-23-12, relating to limited licenses regarding insurance agents, agencies, subagents, counselors, and adjusters, in subsection (a), by replacing "this Code Section" with "this Code section".

(3) Code Section 33-24-21.1, relating to group accident and sickness insurance contracts, conversion privilege and continuation right provisions, and impact of federal legislation, in subsection (n), by designating the introductory text as paragraph (1) and by redesignating current paragraphs (1) and (2) as new paragraphs (2) and (3), respectively.

(4) Code Section 33-29-22, relating to notice of individual accident and sickness insurance policy premium increase and notification of impact of the Patient Protection and Affordable Care Act, in subsection (b), by replacing "paragraph" with "subsection".

(5) Code Section 33-29A-9, relating to the discontinuance of state assignment of health care policies under the Georgia Health Insurance Assignment System and the Georgia Health Benefits Assignment System, by designating the introductory text as subsection (a), by redesignating paragraph (1) as subsection (b), and in paragraph (2), by replacing "paragraph" with "subsection" and by redesignating said paragraph as subsection (c).

(6) Code Section 33-30-13, relating to notices of group or blanket accident and sickness insurance premium increases to be mailed or delivered to group policyholder and notification of impact of federal Patient Protection and Affordable Care Act, in subsection (b), by replacing "paragraph" with "subsection".

SECTION 34.

Title 34 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to labor and industrial relations, is amended in:

(1) Code Section 34-14-20, relating to definitions regarding local workforce and the Georgia Workforce Investment Board, in division (5)(A)(i), by replacing "Army, Navy, Air Force, Coast Guard, or Marine Corps of the United States" with "United States army, navy, air force, coast guard, or marine corps".

(2) Code Section 34-14-28, relating to the definition of supportive services and the payment cap as established by the Georgia Workforce Investment Board, in subsection (a), by replacing "needs-related" with "needs related".

SECTION 35.

Title 35 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to law enforcement officers and agencies, is amended in:

(1) Code Section 35-2-41.1, relating to the donation or conveyance of property, equipment, or services to the Department of Public Safety and procedure, in subsection (a), by replacing "Senate Budget Office" with "Senate Budget and Evaluation Office" and "House Budget Office" with "House Budget and Research Office".

SECTION 36.

Title 36 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to local government, is amended in:

(1) Code Section 36-80-21, relating to definitions and electronic transmission of budgets regarding general provisions applicable to counties, municipal corporations, and other governmental entities, in subparagraph (a)(2)(B), by replacing "paragraph (3) of subsection (a) of Code Section 20-2-167" with "Code Section 20-2-67".

SECTION 37.

Reserved.

SECTION 38.

Reserved.

SECTION 39.

Reserved.

SECTION 40.

Title 40 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to motor vehicles and traffic, is amended in:

(1) Code Section 40-1-161, relating to the revocation, alteration, or amendment of a limousine certificate, by inserting a comma between "Act" and the quotation mark.

(2) Code Section 40-2-152, relating to fees for apportionable vehicles and restricted license plates for vehicles, in subsection (d), by inserting a comma after "plates".

(3) Code Section 40-8-91, relating to marking and equipment of law enforcement vehicles and motorist allowed to continue to safe location before stopping for law enforcement officer vehicles, in subsection (b), by deleting the undesignated paragraph at the end of such subsection as such paragraph was automatically repealed on June 30, 2013.

SECTION 41.

Reserved.

SECTION 42.

Title 42 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to penal institutions, is amended in:

(1) Code Section 42-8-1, relating to the creation, composition, selection of members, and terms of office regarding the Advisory Council for Probation, by replacing "council members" with "councilmembers".

SECTION 43.

Title 43 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to professions and businesses, is amended in:

(1) Code Section 43-11-1, relating to definitions relative to general provisions regarding dentists, dental hygienists, and dental assistants, in paragraph (8), by replacing "state board" with "board".

(2) Code Section 43-14-6, relating to the powers and duties of the divisions of electrical contractors, plumbers, conditioned air contractors, low-voltage contractors, and utility contractors, at the beginning of paragraph (1) of subsection (d), by replacing "With respect to Conditioned Air Contractor Class I and Class II licenses, the Division of Conditioned Air Contractors shall be authorized to require persons seeking renewal of licenses" with "The Division of Conditioned Air Contractors shall be authorized to require persons seeking renewal of Conditioned Air Contractor Class I and Class II licenses"; at the beginning of paragraph (1) of subsection (e), by replacing "With respect to Electrical Contractor Class I and Class II licenses, the Division of Electrical Contractors shall be authorized to require persons seeking renewal of licenses" with "The Division of Electrical Contractors shall be authorized to require persons seeking renewal of Electrical Contractor Class I and Class II licenses"; at the beginning of paragraph (1) of subsection (f), by replacing "With respect to utility foreman certificates and utility manager certificates issued under this chapter, the Division of Utility Contractors shall be authorized to require persons seeking renewal of such certificates" with "The Division of Utility Contractors shall be authorized to require persons seeking renewal of utility foreman certificates and utility manager certificates issued under this chapter"; and at the beginning of paragraph (1) of subsection (g), by replacing "With respect to Journeyman Plumber, Master Plumber Class I, and Master Plumber Class II licenses, the Division of Master Plumbers and Journeyman Plumbers shall be authorized to require persons seeking renewal of such licenses" with "The Division of Master Plumbers and

Journeyman Plumbers shall be authorized to require persons seeking renewal of Journeyman Plumber, Master Plumber Class I, and Master Plumber Class II licenses".

(3) Code Section 43-14-15, relating to certain military certifications that entitle persons to obtain certain professional licenses, in subsections (b) and (c), by replacing "meet or exceed" with "meets or exceeds".

(4) Code Section 43-26-50, relating to definitions relative to mandatory reporting requirements for nurses, by revising paragraph (1) as follows:

"(1) 'Board' means the Georgia Board of Nursing~~, with respect to registered professional nurses and advanced practice registered nurses, and the Georgia Board of Examiners of Licensed Practical Nurses, with respect to licensed practical nurses~~."

(5) Code Section 43-26-51, relating to the mandatory reporting requirement for violations of grounds for discipline and no reporting requirement for knowledge obtained via privileged communications for nurses, by replacing "applicable board" with "board" each time the term appears.

(6) Code Section 43-26-52, relating to institutional reporting requirements and voluntary suspension to alternative to discipline program not subject to reporting requirements for nurses, by replacing "applicable board" with "board", "such board" with "the board", and "Each board" with "The board" each time those terms appear.

(7) Code Section 43-26-53, relating to reportable incidents for nurses, by replacing "applicable board" with "board" each time the term appears.

(8) Code Section 43-26-54, relating to court orders and citation for civil contempt for nurses, by replacing "applicable board" with "board" each time the term appears.

(9) Code Section 43-26-55, relating to immunity from liability for good-faith reporting for nurses, by replacing "applicable board" with "board" each time the term appears.

(10) Code Section 43-34-5, relating to election of the Georgia Composite Medical Board officers, reimbursement of members, meetings, powers and duties, and no restriction on licenses, in paragraph (8), by replacing "limited, to" with "limited to,".

(11) Code Section 43-41-18, relating to certain military specialties or certifications that entitle persons to obtain certain professional licenses and definitions regarding residential and general contractors, in subsection (c), by replacing "meet or exceed" with "meets or exceeds".

SECTION 44.

Title 44 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to property, is amended in:

(1) Code Section 44-14-361.5, relating to liens of persons without privity of contract in regard to mechanics and materialmen, in subsection (a), by replacing "Notice to Contractor" with "notice to contractor".

SECTION 45.

Title 45 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to public officers and employees, is amended in:

(1) Code Section 45-9-4, relating to the commissioner of administrative services to purchase insurance or indemnity contracts, self-insurance program, Hazardous Materials

Liability Reserve Fund, insurer becoming insolvent, and provision of liability coverage to nonprofit agencies and employees contracting with certain state agencies, each time the term appears in subsection (e), by replacing "Georgia State Finance and Investment Commission" with "Georgia State Financing and Investment Commission".

(2) Code Section 45-11-4, relating to unprofessional conduct, misdemeanor, applicability, and indictment regarding miscellaneous offenses concerning public officers and employees, in paragraphs (1), (2), and (3) of subsection (a), by replacing "shall mean" with "means".

(3) Code Section 45-12-75.1, relating to zero-base budgeting, intent, and departmental priority lists regarding management of budgetary and financial affairs by the Office of Planning and Budget, in subsection (b), by replacing "House Budget Office and Senate Budget Office" with "House Budget and Research Office and Senate Budget and Evaluation Office" each time those terms appear.

(4) Code Section 45-12-82, relating to periodic work programs to be filed, funds not to be allotted until program approved, content and form of program, amendment of program, and filing of copies of program regarding management of budgetary and financial affairs by the Governor's Office of Planning and Budget, by replacing "Senate Budget Office, and the House Budget Office" with "Senate Budget and Evaluation Office, and the House Budget and Research Office".

(5) Code Section 45-12-85, relating to the examination and investigation of periodic work programs and requests for allotment of funds regarding management of budgetary and financial affairs by the Office of Planning and Budget, in subsection (b), by replacing "House Budget Office and the Senate Budget Office" with "House Budget and Research Office and the Senate Budget and Evaluation Office".

(6) Code Section 45-12-95, relating to the duty of Office of Planning and Budget to encourage state agencies to identify and implement cost-saving measures and to decentralize state government, in subsection (d), by replacing "House Budget Office and the Senate Budget Office" with "House Budget and Research Office and the Senate Budget and Evaluation Office".

(7) Code Section 45-12-110, relating to notification of intention to apply for federal assistance and adoption and promulgation of rules and regulations and forms by House Budget Office, Senate Budget Office, and director of Office of Planning and Budget, in subsections (a) and (b), by replacing "House Budget Office, the Senate Budget Office" with "House Budget and Research Office, the Senate Budget and Evaluation Office".

(8) Code Section 45-13-22, relating to the distribution of Georgia Laws and journals of House and Senate and pricing as part of the powers and duties of the Secretary of State, in paragraph (21) of subsection (c), by replacing "House Budget Office and Senate Budget Office" with "House Budget and Research Office and Senate Budget and Evaluation Office".

(9) Article 3 of Chapter 13 of Title 45, which is redesignated and repealed, by designating said article as reserved.

(10) Code Section 45-15-13, relating to representation of state authorities by the Attorney General, by deleting "Georgia Building Authority (Hospital), Georgia Building Authority (Markets)," which refers to obsolete entities.
(11) Code Section 45-16-27, relating to death investigations by coroners and when inquest is to be held, special situations, coroner's fee, issuance of subpoenas for books, records, or papers, cost of copying, and limited disclosure of photographs, in subsection (b.1), by replacing "coroner may, elect" with "coroner may elect".

SECTION 46.

Title 46 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to public utilities and public transportation, is amended in:
(1) Code Section 46-2-26.3, relating to recovery of costs of conversion from oil-burning to coal-burning generating facility, filing of request, public hearing, determination of rate, and adjustments regarding the jurisdiction, powers, and duties generally of the Public Service Commission, in subparagraph (b)(3)(A), by deleting the subsection (b) designation preceding the subparagraph (3)(A) designation.
(2) Code Section 46-3-128, relating to the Municipal Electric Authority of Georgia and the declaration of authority property as public property, payments by authority in lieu of taxes, and tax exemption for authority property, income, obligations, and debt interest, in subparagraph (b)(2)(A), by deleting the subsection (b) designation preceding the subparagraph (2)(A) designation.
(3) Code Section 46-5-1, relating to exercise of power of eminent domain by telephone companies, placement of posts and other fixtures, regulation of construction of fixtures, posts, and wires near railroad tracks, liability of telephone companies for damages, required information, and due compensation, in paragraph (7) of subsection (b), by replacing "subsection (b) of this Code section" with "this subsection".
(4) Code Section 46-5-121, relating to legislative intent by the General Assembly regarding the emergency telephone number 9-1-1 system, in subsections (b) and (c), by replacing "life-saving" with "lifesaving".

SECTION 47.

Reserved.

SECTION 48.

Title 48 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to revenue and taxation, is amended in:
(1) Code Section 48-5-7.6, relating to the definition of "brownfield property", related definitions, qualifying for preferential assessment, disqualification of property receiving preferential assessment, responsibilities of owners, transfers of property, costs, appeals, creation of lien against property, and extension of preferential assessment in regard to ad valorem taxation of property, in subparagraph (e)(1)(B), by replacing "Code section 36-62-5.1" with "Code Section 36-62-5.1".
(2) Chapter 5B of Title 48, which is repealed, by designating said chapter as reserved.

(3) Code Section 48-8-2, relating to definitions regarding general provisions under the state sales and use tax, at the beginning of the second sentence of paragraph (7), by deleting the quotation marks around "Conference bridging service"; at the beginning of the second and third sentences of paragraph (12), by deleting the quotation marks around "Direct mail"; at the beginning of the second sentence of paragraph (16), by deleting the quotation marks around "Food and food ingredients"; at the beginning of the second and third sentences of the introductory text of paragraph (17), by deleting the quotation marks around "Lease or rental"; in the second sentence of the introductory text of paragraph (20.1), by deleting the quotation marks around "over-the-counter drug"; in the second sentence of paragraph (21), by deleting the quotation marks around "place of primary use"; in subparagraph (B) of paragraph (27), by deleting the quotation marks around "Prepared food"; in paragraph (28.1), by deleting the quotation marks around "computer software," and "computer software", by deleting in the second sentence the quotation marks around "prewritten computer software" and "prewritten computer software.", by deleting at the beginning of the third and fifth sentences the quotation marks around "Prewritten computer software", and by deleting in the fifth sentence the quotation marks around "prewritten computer software" and "prewritten computer software."; in the undesignated text at the end of paragraph (29), by deleting the quotation marks around "Prosthetic device"; in the introductory text of paragraph (31), by replacing "shall himself be liable" with "shall be liable"; in the introductory text at the beginning of subparagraphs (B) and (C) of paragraph (34), by deleting the quotation marks around "Sales price"; in subdivision (34)(C)(iv)(II), by deleting the quotation marks around "preferred customer"; at the beginning of the second and third sentences of paragraph (37), by deleting the quotation marks around "Tangible personal property"; in the second sentence of the introductory text of paragraph (39), by deleting the quotation marks around "telecommunications service" and at the beginning of the third sentence, by deleting the quotation marks around "Telecommunications service"; and at the beginning of the second sentence of paragraph (43), by deleting the quotation marks around "Voice mail service".

(4) Code Section 48-8-3, relating to exemptions regarding sales and use taxes, in subparagraph (B) of paragraph (80), by deleting the colon following "term" and in paragraph (81), by deleting the quotation marks around "Food and food ingredients".

(5) Code Section 48-8-17, relating to the suspension of the collection of taxes on gasoline and aviation fuel and ratification of temporary suspension regarding state sales and use taxes, in paragraph (4) of subsection (a), by deleting "and" after the semicolon at the end.

(6) Code Section 48-8-75, relating to a purchaser's immunity from liability for failure to pay correct sales tax under certain circumstances, in paragraph (4) of subsection (a), by replacing "databases" with "data bases".

(7) Code Section 48-8-89, relating to distribution and use of proceeds, certificate specifying percentage of proceeds for each political subdivision, determination of proceeds for absent municipalities, procedure for filing certificates, effect of failure to

file, and renegotiation of certificate regarding joint county and municipal sales and use tax, in paragraph (1) of subsection (a), by inserting "and" after the semicolon at the end.
(8) Code Section 48-8-161, relating to definitions regarding uniform sales and use tax administration, in paragraph (7), by replacing "$500 million dollars" with "$500 million".

SECTION 49.

Title 49 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to social services, is amended in:
(1) Code Section 49-4-193, relating to established drug testing, ineligibility for benefits based upon positive tests, drug treatment, impact of drug use by parents on children, confidentiality, and exceptions, in subsection (a) by replacing "Mandatory Guidelines for Federal Workplace Drug Testing Programs (53 C.F.R. 11979, et seq., as amended)" with "Mandatory Guidelines for Federal Workplace Drug Testing Programs established by the United States Department of Health and Human Services".
(2) Code Section 49-4A-2, relating to the creation of the Board of Juvenile Justice, appointments, terms, vacancies, chairperson, per diem and expenses, and responsibilities and duties, in paragraph (5) of subsection (b), by replacing "Senate State Judiciary Committee" with "Senate Judiciary Committee".
(3) Code Section 49-6-62, relating to the establishment of a community care unit, provision of services, annual service plan, implementation plan, annual progress report, fees and contributions, and funding regarding community care and services for the elderly, in subsection (g), by inserting a comma after "House Committee on Health and Human Services".

SECTION 50.

Title 50 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to state government, is amended in:
(1) Code Section 50-7-17, relating to the State-wide Tourism Marketing Program and the Georgia Tourism Foundation, in paragraph (2) of subsection (e), by replacing "Board of Development" with "Board of Economic Development".
(2) Code Section 50-8-18, relating to energy efficient construction of major state-funded facility projects, a short title, legislative findings, and "major facility project" defined, in the introductory language of subsection (d), by replacing "Georgia State Finance and Investment Commission" with "Georgia State Financing and Investment Commission".
(3) Code Section 50-17-21, relating to definitions regarding the Georgia State Financing and Investment Commission, in paragraph (9), by deleting "Georgia Building Authority (Markets)," which refers to an obsolete entity.
(4) Code Section 50-18-72, relating to when public disclosure not required regarding inspection of public records, in paragraph (26) of subsection (a), by replacing "paragraph (3)" with "paragraph (5)".
(5) Code Section 50-25-7.1, relating to the technology empowerment fund, appropriations, initiatives, and steering committee regarding the Georgia Technology Authority, by replacing "Senate Budget Office" with "Senate Budget and Evaluation

Office" and "House Budget Office" with "House Budget and Research Office" each time those terms appear throughout said Code section and in subsection (d) by replacing "House Appropriations Committee" with "House Committee on Appropriations".
(6) Code Section 50-27-70, relating to legislative findings and definitions regarding general provisions of bona fide coin operated amusement machines, in the undesignated text at the end of subparagraph (b)(2)(A), by replacing "means machine" with "means a machine".
(7) Code Section 50-27-87, relating to master licensees and requirements and restrictions for licensees regarding bona fide coin operated amusement machines, in paragraph (3) of subsection (b), by replacing "location owner or location owner" with "location owner or location operator".
(8) Code Section 50-32-11, relating to the powers of the Georgia Regional Transportation Authority generally, in paragraph (26) of subsection (a), by inserting a comma after "state agencies".
(9) Code Section 50-34-17, relating to the establishment and duties of the OneGeorgia Authority Overview Committee, in subsection (a), by replacing "Senate Budget Office" with "Senate Budget and Evaluation Office" and "House Budget Office" with "House Budget and Research Office".

SECTION 51.

Reserved.

SECTION 52.

Title 52 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to waters of the state, ports, and watercraft, is amended in:
(1) Code Section 52-7-8, regarding classification of vessels and required equipment regarding the registration, operation, and sale of watercraft, in subsection (k), by replacing "the words" with "the term".
(2) Code Section 52-7-12, relating to the operation of watercraft while under influence of alcohol, toxic vapors, or drugs, legal drug use not exempted, blood and other chemical tests, test refusal, owner's liability for allowing another to operate while intoxicated, civil and criminal actions, and child endangerment, in subparagraphs (m)(1)(D), (m)(2)(D), (m)(3)(D), and (m)(4)(D), by replacing "Department of Drivers Service's approval" with "Department of Driver Services' approval".

SECTION 53.

Reserved.

SECTION 54.

(a) Except for Title 47, the text of Code sections and title, chapter, article, part, subpart, Code section, subsection, paragraph, subparagraph, division, and subdivision numbers and designations as contained in the Official Code of Georgia Annotated published under authority of the state by The Michie Company in 1982 and contained in Volumes 3

through 40 of such publication or replacement volumes thereto, as amended by the text and numbering of Code sections as contained in the 2013 supplements to the Official Code of Georgia Annotated published under authority of the state in 2013 by LEXIS Publishing, are hereby reenacted.

(b) Annotations; editorial notes; Code Revision Commission notes; research references; notes on law review articles; opinions of the Attorney General of Georgia; indexes; analyses; title, chapter, article, part, and subpart captions or headings, except as otherwise provided in the Code; catchlines of Code sections or portions thereof, except as otherwise provided in the Code; and rules and regulations of state agencies, departments, boards, commissions, or other entities which are contained in the Official Code of Georgia Annotated are not enacted as statutes by the provisions of this Act. Material which has been added in brackets or parentheses and editorial, delayed effective date, effect of amendment, or other similar notes within the text of a Code section by the editorial staff of the publisher in order to explain or to prevent a misapprehension concerning the contents of the Code section and which is explained in an editorial note is not enacted by the provisions of this section and shall not be considered a part of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated.

(c) The reenactment of the statutory portion of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated by subsection (a) of this section shall not affect, supersede, or repeal any Act of the General Assembly, or portion thereof, which is not contained in the Official Code of Georgia Annotated and which was not repealed by Code Section 1-1-10, specifically including those Acts which have not yet been included in the text of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated because of effective dates which extend beyond the effective date of the Code or the publication date of the Code or its supplements.

(d) The provisions contained in Sections 1 through 53 of this Act and in the other Acts enacted at the 2014 regular session of the General Assembly of Georgia shall supersede the provisions of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated ratified and reenacted by subsection (a) of this section.

(e) In the event of a conflict between a provision in Sections 1 through 53 of this Act and a provision of another Act enacted at the 2014 regular session of the General Assembly, the provision of such other Act shall control over the conflicting provision in Sections 1 through 53 of this Act to the extent of the conflict.

SECTION 55.

(a) Except as otherwise provided in subsection (b) of this section, this Act shall become effective upon its approval by the Governor or upon its becoming law without such approval.

(b) The amendments made by paragraphs (4) through (9) of Section 43 of this Act shall be effective the later of July 1, 2014, or when funds are specifically appropriated for purposes of Ga. L. 2013, p. 830, §4, in an Appropriations Act making specific reference to such Act.

SECTION 56.

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

The following amendment was read and adopted:

Representative Willard of the 51st offers the following amendment:

*Amend the House Committee on Code Revision substitute to SB 340 (LC 33 5643S) by striking "*to revise a provision relating to liens on self-service storage facilities;*" on lines 5 and 6.*

By striking lines 54 through 201.

The Committee substitute, as amended, was adopted.

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

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

Y Abrams	Y Coomer	Y Gregory	Y McCall	Y Sims, C
Y Alexander	Y Cooper	Y Hamilton	Y McClain	Y Smith, E
Y Allison	Y Dawkins-Haigler	Y Harbin	Y Meadows	Y Smith, L
Y Anderson	Y Deffenbaugh	Y Harden	E Mitchell	Y Smith, M
Y Atwood	Y Dempsey	Y Harrell	Y Moore	Y Smith, R
Y Ballinger	Y Dickerson	Y Hatchett	Y Morgan	Y Smyre
Y Barr	Y Dickey	Y Hawkins	Y Morris	Y Spencer
Y Battles	Y Dickson	Y Henson	Y Mosby	Y Stephens, M
E Beasley-Teague	Y Dollar	Y Hightower	Y Nimmer	Y Stephens, R
Y Bell	Douglas	Y Hitchens	Y Nix	Y Stephenson
Y Bennett	Y Drenner	Y Holcomb	Y Oliver	Y Stovall
Y Bentley	Y Dudgeon	Y Holmes	O'Neal	Y Stover
Y Benton	Y Dukes	Y Holt	Y Pak	Y Strickland
Y Beverly	Y Dunahoo	Y Houston	Y Parrish	Y Talton
Y Black	Y Duncan	Howard	Y Parsons	Y Tankersley
Y Braddock	Dutton	Y Hugley	Y Peake	Y Tanner
Y Broadrick	Y Efstration	Y Jackson	Y Pezold	Y Tarvin
Y Brockway	Y Ehrhart	Y Jacobs	Y Powell, A	Taylor, D
Y Brooks	Y England	Y Jasperse	Y Powell, J	Y Taylor, T
Y Bruce	Y Epps, C	Y Jones, J	Y Prince	Y Teasley
Y Bryant	Y Epps, J	Jones, L	Y Pruett	Y Thomas, A.M.
Y Buckner	Y Evans	Y Jones, S	Y Quick	Y Turner
Y Burns	Y Fleming	Y Jordan	Y Ramsey	Y Waites
Y Caldwell, J	Y Floyd	Y Kaiser	Y Randall	Y Watson, B
Y Caldwell, M	Y Fludd	Y Kelley	Y Rice	Y Watson, S
Y Carson	Y Frazier	Y Kendrick	Y Riley	Y Welch
Y Carter	Y Frye	Y Kidd	Y Roberts	Y Weldon
Casas	Y Fullerton	Y Kirby	Y Rogers, C	Y Wilkerson
Y Chandler	Y Gardner	Y Knight	Y Rogers, T	Y Wilkinson

Y Channell	Y Gasaway	Y Lindsey	Y Rutledge	Y Willard
Y Chapman	Y Geisinger	Y Lumsden	Y Rynders	Y Williams, A
Y Cheokas	Y Glanton	Y Mabra	Y Scott	Y Williams, C
Y Clark, J	Y Golick	Y Marin	Y Setzler	Y Williams, E
Y Clark, V	Y Gordon	Y Martin	Y Sharper	Y Williamson
Y Coleman	Y Gravley	Y Maxwell	Y Shaw	E Yates
Y Cooke	Y Greene	Y Mayo	Y Sims, B	Ralston, Speaker

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

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

SB 365. By Senators Stone of the 23rd, Bethel of the 54th, Jackson of the 24th, Miller of the 49th, Crosby of the 13th and others:

A BILL to be entitled an Act to amend Part 2 of Article 15 of Chapter 1 of Title 10, Article 6 of Chapter 11 of Title 15, Article 3A of Chapter 5 of Title 40, Chapter 2 of Title 42, and Chapter 1 of Title 51 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to the Fair Business Practices Act, delinquency proceedings in juvenile court, suspension of driver's license for certain drug offenses, the Board and Department of Corrections, and general tort provisions, respectively, so as to enact offender reentry reforms as recommended by the Georgia Council on Criminal Justice Reform; to provide for related matters; to repeal conflicting laws; and for other purposes.

The following Committee substitute was read:

A BILL TO BE ENTITLED
AN ACT

To amend Article 6 of Chapter 11 of Title 15, Article 3A of Chapter 5 of Title 40, Chapter 2 of Title 42, and Chapter 1 of Title 51 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to delinquency proceedings in juvenile court, suspension of driver's license for certain drug offenses, the Board and Department of Corrections, and general tort provisions, respectively, so as to enact offender reentry reforms as recommended by the Georgia Council on Criminal Justice Reform; to change provisions relating to findings in a disposition hearing; to change provisions relating to calculating time when a child is delinquent and dependent; to change provisions relating to periodic review hearings for children in foster care; to provide for permanency planning for children by the Department of Juvenile Justice; to provide for court hearings regarding the Department of Juvenile Justice's permanency planning for children; to provide for restoration or suspension of a defendant's driver's license or issuance of a limited driving permit under certain circumstances; to provide for a Program and Treatment Completion

Certificate that may be issued by the Board of Corrections under certain circumstances; to change provisions relating to educational programs for adult offenders; to provide a rebuttable presumption of due care under certain circumstances when a Program and Treatment Completion Certificate has been issued by the Department of Corrections; to retain sovereign immunity of the state; 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 6 of Chapter 11 of Title 15 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to delinquency proceedings in juvenile court, is amended by revising subsection (a) of Code Section 15-11-600, relating to findings in a disposition hearing, as follows:

"(a)(1) After a finding that a child has committed a delinquent act, the court shall hear evidence ~~on whether such~~ and determine whether:

(A) Such child is in need of treatment, rehabilitation, or supervision ~~and~~;

(B) Such child's continuation in his or her home is contrary to such child's welfare; and

(C) Reasonable efforts have been made to prevent or eliminate the need to remove such child from his or her home.

(2) After hearing the evidence described in paragraph (1) of this subsection, the court shall make and file its findings based upon such determinations."

SECTION 2.

Said article is further amended by revising Code Section 15-11-620, relating to calculating time when a child is delinquent and dependent, as follows:

"15-11-620.

(a) When a child is alleged to have committed a delinquent act and be a dependent child, the date such child is considered to have entered foster care shall be the date of the first judicial finding that such child has been subjected to child abuse or neglect or the date that is 60 days after the date on which such child is removed from his or her home, whichever is earlier.

(b) When a child is alleged to have committed a delinquent act and is placed directly in a nonsecure residential facility, the date such child is considered to have entered foster care shall be 60 days after the date on which such child is removed from his or her home.

~~(b)~~(c) If a child alleged or adjudicated to have committed a delinquent act is detained in a facility operated primarily for the detention of delinquent children but is later placed in foster care within 60 days of such child's removal from the home, then the date of entry into foster care shall be 60 days after the date of removal.

(d) When a child alleged or adjudicated to have committed a delinquent act is detained in a facility operated primarily for the detention of delinquent children but is later placed in a nonsecure residential facility within 60 days of such child's removal from

the home, the date such child is considered to have entered foster care shall be 60 days from the date on which such child is removed from his or her home.

~~(c)~~(e) If a child is detained in a facility operated primarily for the detention of delinquent children pending placement in foster care and remains detained for more than 60 days, then the date of entry into foster care shall be the date such child is placed in foster care.

(f) When a child alleged or adjudicated to have committed a delinquent act is detained in a facility operated primarily for the detention of delinquent children and remains detained for more than 60 days and such child is subsequently placed in a nonsecure residential facility, the date such child is considered to have entered foster care shall be the date such child was placed in a nonsecure residential facility."

SECTION 3.

Said article is further amended by revising Code Section 15-11-621, relating to periodic review hearings for children in foster care, as follows:

"15-11-621.

(a) The periodic review hearing requirements under Code Sections 15-11-216, 15-11-217, and 15-11-218 shall apply to proceedings involving a child alleged or adjudicated to have committed a delinquent act and placed in foster care.

(b) When a child is committed to DJJ and for whom a determination has been made that the child's continuation in his or her home is contrary to the child's welfare and he or she is placed in a nonsecure residential facility, such child shall receive a periodic review before an administrative review panel within DJJ within six months following the date the child entered the nonsecure residential facility and every six months thereafter while the child remains in such facility. The administrative review panel within DJJ shall transmit its report, including its findings and recommendations, to the court within five days after conducting its review."

SECTION 4.

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

"15-11-623.

(a) As used in this Code section, the term 'permanency plan' means a specific written plan prepared by DJJ designed to ensure that a child is reunified with his or her family or ensure that such child quickly attains a substitute long-term home when return to such child's family is not possible or is not in such child's best interests.

(b)(1) The court shall hold a hearing to review the permanency plan for each child committed to DJJ when a determination has been made that the child's continuation in his or her home is contrary to the child's welfare, and the child is placed in a nonsecure residential facility.

(2) Such hearing shall be held no later than 12 months from the date a child is considered to have entered foster care and every 12 months thereafter to make determinations including whether the permanency plan for such child is appropriate

and whether reasonable efforts to finalize the permanency plan have been made by DJJ.

(3) A child's parent, guardian, legal custodian, attorney, any relatives providing care for such child, and other interested parties shall be given written notice of such hearing at least five days in advance of such hearing and shall be advised that the permanency plan will be submitted to the court for consideration as the order of the court.

(4) At least five days prior to such hearing, DJJ shall submit for the court's consideration a report recommending a permanency plan for a child committed to a nonsecure residential facility. Such report shall include documentation of the steps taken by DJJ to finalize the permanent placement for such child.

(5) Subsequent to such hearing, the court shall make written findings of fact that shall include whether DJJ has made reasonable efforts to finalize the permanency plan in effect at the time of the hearing."

SECTION 5.

Article 3A of Chapter 5 of Title 40 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to suspension of driver's license for certain drug offenses, is amended by revising Code Section 40-5-76, relating to restoration or suspension of a defendant's driver's license or issuance of a limited driving permit, as follows:

"40-5-76.

(a) A judge presiding in a drug court division or mental health court division may order the department to restore a defendant's driver's license that has been or should be suspended pursuant to Code Section 40-5-75, suspend such license, or issue a defendant a limited driving permit in accordance with the provisions set forth in subsections (c) and (d) of Code Section 40-5-64 or with whatever conditions the court determines to be appropriate under the circumstances as a reward or sanction to the defendant's behavior in such court division. The court shall determine what fees, if any, shall be paid to the department for such reward or sanction, provided that such fee shall not be greater than the fee normally imposed for such services.

(b) A judge presiding in any court, other than the court divisions specified in subsection (a) of this Code section, may order the department to restore a defendant's driver's license that has been or should be suspended pursuant to Code Section 40-5-75 or issue a defendant a limited driving permit in accordance with the provisions set forth in subsections (c) and (d) of Code Section 40-5-64 if the offense for which the defendant was convicted did not directly relate to the operation of a motor vehicle. The court shall determine what fees, if any, shall be paid to the department for the restoration of such driver's license or issuance of such limited driving permit, provided that such fee shall not be greater than the fee normally imposed for such services. Such judge may also order the department to suspend a defendant's driver's license that could have been suspended pursuant to Code Section 40-5-75 as a consequence of the defendant's violation of the terms of his or her probation."

SECTION 6.

Chapter 2 of Title 42 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to the Board and Department of Corrections, is amended by revising Code Section 42-2-5.1, relating to special school districts for school age youth and educational programs for adult offenders, and by adding a new Code section to read as follows:

"42-2-5.1.

(a) In order to provide education for any school age youths incarcerated within any facility of the ~~Department of Corrections~~ department, the department shall be considered a special school district which shall be given the same funding consideration for federal funds that school districts within the state are given. The special school district under the department shall have the powers, privileges, and authority exercised or capable of exercise by any other school district. The schools within the special school district shall be under the control of the commissioner, who shall serve as the superintendent of schools for such district. The ~~Board of Corrections~~ board shall serve as the board of education for such district. The board, acting alone or in cooperation with the State Board of Education, shall establish education standards for the district. As far as is practicable, such standards shall adhere to the standards adopted by the State Board of Education for the education of school age youth, while taking into account:

(1) The overriding security needs of correctional institutions and other restrictions inherent to the nature of correctional facilities;

(2) The effect of limited funding on the capability of the ~~Department of Corrections~~ department to meet certain school standards; and

(3) Existing juvenile education standards of the Correctional Education Association and the American Correctional Association, which shall be given primary consideration where any conflicts arise.

(b) The effect of subsection (a) of this Code section shall not be to provide state funds to the special school district under the department through Part 4 of Article 6 of Chapter 2 of Title 20.

42-2-5.2.

~~(c)~~(a) The ~~Board of Corrections~~ board, acting alone or in cooperation with the State Board of the Technical College System of Georgia or other relevant education agencies, shall provide overall direction of educational programs for adult offenders in the correctional system and shall exercise program approval authority. The board may enter into written agreements with other educational organizations and agencies in order to provide adult offenders with such education and employment skills most likely to encourage gainful employment and discourage return to criminal activity upon release. The board may also enter into agreements with other educational organizations and agencies to attain program certification for its vocational and technical education programs.

(b) The board shall develop and implement programs to assist adult offenders with reentry into society upon release from prison. In addition to educational and vocational

programs, reentry programs may include social and behavioral programs, substance abuse counseling, mentoring programs, financial planning, physical and mental health programs, and housing and federal assistance programs.

(c) The board shall create a Program and Treatment Completion Certificate that may be issued to offenders under the rules and regulations of the board. Such certificate shall symbolize an offender's achievements toward successful reentry into society. The board's rules and regulations relating to the issuance of such certificate shall take into account an offender's disciplinary record and any other factor the board deems relevant to an individual's qualification for such certificate. The board's rules and regulations shall specify eligibility considerations and requirements for completion of such certificate. An offender who was convicted of a serious violent felony, as such term is defined in Code Section 17-10-6.1, shall not be eligible for such certificate.

(d) Nothing in this Code section shall be construed to constitute a waiver of the sovereign immunity of the state, and no action shall be maintained against the state or any agency or department thereof for issuance of or failure to issue any Program and Treatment Completion Certificate."

SECTION 7.

Chapter 1 of Title 51 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to general tort provisions, is amended by adding a new Code section to read as follows:

"51-1-54.

(a) As used in this Code section, the term 'Program and Treatment Completion Certificate' means the certificate issued pursuant to Code Section 42-2-5.2.

(b) Issuance of a Program and Treatment Completion Certificate by the Department of Corrections or the granting of a pardon from the State Board of Pardons and Paroles as provided in the Constitution and Code Section 42-9-42 shall create a presumption of due care in hiring, retaining, licensing, leasing to, admitting to a school or program, or otherwise engaging in activity with the individual to whom the Program and Treatment Completion Certificate was issued or the pardon was granted. Such presumption may be rebutted by relevant evidence which extends beyond the scope of the Program and Treatment Completion Certificate or pardon and which was known or should have been known by the person against whom negligence is asserted.

(c) Nothing in this Code section shall be construed to constitute a waiver of the sovereign immunity of the state, and no action shall be maintained against the state or any agency or department thereof for issuance of or failure to issue any Program and Treatment Completion Certificate or issuance of or failure to grant a pardon."

SECTION 8.

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

The following amendment was read and adopted:

Representatives Coomer of the 14th, Nimmer of the 178th, and Riley of the 50th offer the following amendment:

Amend the House Committee on Juvenile Justice substitute to SB 365 (LC 29 6044S) by inserting after "state;" *on line 17 the following:*
to amend Article 11 of Chapter 11 of Title 15, Chapter 15 of Title 19, and Article 1 of Chapter 3 of Title 35 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to the "Georgia Child Advocate for the Protection of Children Act," child abuse, and general provisions for the Georgia Bureau of Investigation, respectively, so as to move the responsibility of coordinating and supervising the work of the Georgia Child Fatality Review Panel from the Child Advocate for the Protection of Children to the director of the Georgia Bureau of Investigation or his or her designee; to provide for a short title; to provide for the director of the Georgia Bureau of Investigation to assist local child fatality review committees; to clarify definitions; to provide for legislative findings; to amend Code Section 49-5-41 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to persons and agencies permitted access to child abuse and dependency records, so as to clarify defined terms and change provisions relating to disclosure;

By inserting "PART I" *between lines 19-20 and redesignating Sections 1 through 7 as Sections 1-1 through 1-7, respectively.*

By replacing line 204 with the following:

PART II

SECTION 2-1.

This part shall be known and may be cited as the "Journey Ann Cowart Act."

SECTION 2-2.

Article 11 of Chapter 11 of Title 15 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to the "Georgia Child Advocate for the Protection of Children Act," is amended by revising Code Section 15-11-743, relating to the duties of the Child Advocate for the Protection of Children, as follows:

"15-11-743.

The advocate shall perform the following duties:

(1) Identify, receive, investigate, and seek the resolution or referral of complaints made by or on behalf of children concerning any act, omission to act, practice, policy, or procedure of an agency or any contractor or agent thereof that may adversely affect the health, safety, or welfare of the children;

(2) Refer complaints involving abused children to appropriate regulatory and law enforcement agencies;

(3) ~~Coordinate and supervise the work of the Georgia Child Fatality Review Panel created by Code Section 19-15-4 and provide such staffing and administrative support to the panel as may be necessary to enable the panel to carry out its statutory duties;~~

~~(4)~~ Report the death of any child to the chairperson of the ~~child fatality~~ review ~~subcommittee of~~ committee, as such term is defined in Code Section 19-15-1, for the county in which such child resided at the time of death, unless the advocate has knowledge that such death has been reported by the county medical examiner or coroner, pursuant to Code Section 19-15-3, and to provide such ~~subcommittee~~ committee access to any records of the advocate relating to such child;

~~(5)~~(4) Provide periodic reports on the work of the Office of the Child Advocate for the Protection of Children, including but not limited to an annual written report for the Governor and the General Assembly and other persons, agencies, and organizations deemed appropriate. Such reports shall include recommendations for changes in policies and procedures to improve the health, safety, and welfare of children and shall be made expeditiously in order to timely influence public policy;

~~(6)~~(5) Establish policies and procedures necessary for the Office of the Child Advocate for the Protection of Children to accomplish the purposes of this article, including without limitation providing DFCS with a form of notice of availability of the Office of the Child Advocate for the Protection of Children. Such notice shall be posted prominently, by DFCS, in DFCS offices and in facilities receiving public moneys for the care and placement of children and shall include information describing the Office of the Child Advocate for the Protection of Children and procedures for contacting ~~that~~ such office; and

~~(7)~~(6) Convene quarterly meetings with organizations, agencies, and individuals who work in the area of child protection to seek opportunities to collaborate and improve the status of children in Georgia."

SECTION 2-3.

Chapter 15 of Title 19 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to child abuse, is amended by revising paragraphs (5), (7), (8), and (10) of Code Section 19-15-1, relating to definitions, as follows:

"(5) ~~'Eligible deaths' means deaths meeting the criteria for review by a county child fatality review committee, including deaths resulting from Sudden Infant Death Syndrome, unintentional injuries, intentional injuries, medical conditions when unexpected or when unattended by a physician, or any manner that is suspicious or unusual~~ Reserved."

"(7) 'Panel' means the Georgia Child Fatality Review Panel established pursuant to Code Section 19-15-4. ~~The panel oversees the local child fatality review process and reports to the Governor on the incidence of child deaths with recommendations for prevention.~~

(8) 'Protocol committee' means a multidisciplinary, multiagency ~~child abuse protocol~~ committee established for a county pursuant to Code Section 19-15-2. ~~The protocol~~

~~committee is charged with developing local protocols to investigate and prosecute alleged cases of child abuse.~~"

"(10) 'Review committee' means a multidisciplinary, multiagency child fatality review committee established for a county or circuit pursuant to Code Section 19-15-3. ~~The review committee is charged with reviewing all eligible child deaths to determine manner and cause of death and if the death was preventable.~~"

SECTION 2-4.

Said chapter is further amended by revising Code Section 19-15-2, relating to child abuse protocol committees, as follows:

"19-15-2.

(a) Each county shall be required to establish a ~~child abuse~~ protocol for the investigation and prosecution of alleged cases of child abuse as provided in this Code section.

(b) The chief superior court judge of the circuit in which the county is located shall establish a ~~child abuse~~ protocol committee as provided in subsection (c) of this Code section and shall appoint an interim chairperson who shall preside over the first meeting, and the chief superior court judge shall appoint persons to fill any vacancies on the protocol committee. Thus established, the protocol committee shall thereafter elect a chairperson from its membership. The protocol committee shall be charged with developing local protocols for the investigation and prosecution of alleged cases of child abuse.

(c)(1) Each of the following individuals, agencies, ~~of the county~~ and entities shall designate a representative to serve on the protocol committee:

(A) The ~~office of the~~ sheriff;

(B) The county department of family and children services;

(C) The ~~office of the~~ district attorney for the judicial circuit;

(D) The juvenile court judge;

(E) The chief magistrate ~~court~~;

(F) The county board of education;

(G) The county mental health organization;

(H) The ~~office of the~~ chief of police of a county in counties which have a county police department;

(I) The ~~office of the~~ chief of police of the largest municipality in the county;

(J) The county ~~board of~~ public health department, which shall designate a physician to serve on the protocol committee; and

(K) The ~~office of the~~ coroner or county medical examiner.

(2) In addition to the representatives serving on the protocol committee as provided for in paragraph (1) of this subsection, the chief superior court judge shall designate a representative from a local citizen or advocacy group which focuses on child abuse awareness and prevention.

(3) If any designated agency fails to carry out its duties relating to participation on the protocol committee, the chief superior court judge of the circuit may issue an

order requiring the participation of such agency. Failure to comply with such order shall be cause for punishment as for contempt of court.

(d) Each protocol committee shall elect or appoint a chairperson who shall be responsible for ensuring that written protocol procedures are followed by all agencies. Such ~~That~~ person can be independent of agencies listed in paragraph (1) of subsection (c) of this Code section. The ~~child abuse~~ protocol committee ~~thus established~~ may appoint such additional members as necessary and proper to accomplish the purposes of the protocol committee.

(e) The protocol committee shall adopt a written ~~child abuse~~ protocol which shall be filed with the Division of Family and Children Services of the Department of Human Services and the ~~Georgia Child Fatality Review Panel~~ panel, a copy of which shall be furnished to each agency in the county handling the cases of abused children. The protocol shall be a written document outlining in detail the procedures to be used in investigating and prosecuting cases arising from alleged child abuse and the methods to be used in coordinating treatment programs for the perpetrator, the family, and the child. The protocol shall also outline procedures to be used when child abuse occurs in a household where there is violence between past or present spouses, persons who are parents of the same child, parents and children, stepparents and stepchildren, foster parents and foster children, or other persons living or formerly living in the same household. The protocol adopted shall not be inconsistent with the policies and procedures of the Division of Family and Children Services of the Department of Human Services.

(f) The purpose of the protocol shall be to ensure coordination and cooperation between all agencies involved in a child abuse case so as to increase the efficiency of all agencies handling such cases, to minimize the stress created for the allegedly abused child by the legal and investigatory process, and to ensure that more effective treatment is provided for the perpetrator, the family, and the child, including counseling.

(g) Upon completion of the writing of the ~~child abuse~~ protocol, the protocol committee shall continue in existence and shall meet at least semiannually for the purpose of evaluating the effectiveness of the protocol and appropriately modifying and updating the same.

(h) Each protocol committee shall adopt or amend its written ~~child abuse~~ protocol ~~no later than July 1, 2001,~~ to specify the circumstances under which law enforcement officers ~~will~~ shall and ~~will~~ shall not be required to accompany ~~child abuse~~ investigators from the county department of family and children services when these investigators investigate reports of child abuse. In determining when law enforcement officers shall and shall not accompany ~~child abuse~~ investigators, the protocol committee shall consider the need to protect the alleged victim and the need to preserve the confidentiality of the report. Each protocol committee shall establish joint work efforts between the law enforcement and ~~child abuse~~ investigative agencies in child abuse investigations. The adoption or amendment of the protocol shall also describe measures which can be taken within the county to prevent child abuse and shall be filed with and furnished to the same entities with or to which an original protocol is required

to be filed or furnished. The protocol ~~will~~ shall be further amended to specify procedures to be adopted by the protocol committee to ensure that written protocol procedures are followed.

(i) The protocol committee shall issue a report no later than the first day of July ~~in 2001 and no later than the first day of July~~ each year ~~thereafter~~. Such ~~That~~ report shall evaluate the extent to which ~~child abuse~~ investigations of child abuse during the 12 months prior to the report have complied with the ~~child abuse~~ protocols of the protocol committee, recommend measures to improve compliance, and describe which measures taken within the county to prevent child abuse have been successful. The report shall be transmitted to the county governing authority, the fall term grand jury of the judicial circuit, the ~~Georgia Child Fatality Review Panel~~ panel, and the chief superior court judge.

(j) Each member ~~By July 1, 2001, members~~ of each protocol committee shall receive appropriate training~~. As new members are appointed, they will also receive training~~ within 12 months after ~~their~~ his or her appointment. The Office of the Child Advocate for the Protection of Children shall provide such training.

(k) The protocol committee shall adopt a written sexual abuse and sexual exploitation protocol which shall be filed with the Division of Family and Children Services of the Department of Human Services and the Office of the Child Advocate for the Protection of Children, a copy of which shall be furnished to each agency in the county handling the cases of sexually abused or exploited children. The sexual abuse and sexual exploitation protocol shall be a written document outlining in detail the procedures to be used in investigating and prosecuting cases arising from alleged ~~child~~ sexual abuse and sexual exploitation and the procedures to be followed concerning the obtainment of and payment for sexual assault examinations. Each protocol committee shall adopt or amend its written sexual abuse and sexual exploitation protocol ~~no later than December 31, 2004. The protocol may incorporate existing sexual abuse and exploitation protocols used within the county~~. The sexual abuse and sexual exploitation protocol adopted shall be consistent with the policies and procedures of the Division of Family and Children Services of the Department of Human Services. ~~A failure by an agency to follow the protocol shall not constitute an affirmative or other defense to prosecution of a sexual abuse or exploitation offense, nor shall a failure by an agency to follow the protocol give rise to a civil cause of action.~~ A sexual abuse and sexual exploitation protocol is not intended to, does not, and may not be relied upon to create any rights, substantive or procedural, enforceable at law by any party in any matter civil or criminal. Such protocol shall not limit or otherwise restrict a prosecuting attorney in the exercise of his or her discretion nor in the exercise of any otherwise lawful litigative prerogatives."

SECTION 2-5.

Said chapter is further amended by revising subsections (a), (d), (e), (g) through (k), and (o) and paragraph (8) of subsection (1) of Code Section 19-15-3, relating to county multiagency child fatality review committees, as follows:

"(a)(1) Each county shall establish a local ~~multidisciplinary, multiagency child fatality~~ review committee as provided in this Code section. The review committee shall be charged with reviewing all deaths as set forth in subsection (e) of this Code section to determine manner and cause of death and if the death was preventable. The chief superior court judge of the circuit in which the county is located shall establish a ~~child fatality~~ review committee composed of, but not limited to, the following members:

(A) The county medical examiner or coroner;

(B) The district attorney or his or her designee;

(C) A county department of family and children services representative;

(D) A local law enforcement representative;

(E) The sheriff or county police chief or his or her designee;

(F) A juvenile court representative;

(G) A county ~~board of~~ public health department representative; and

(H) A county mental health representative.

(2) The district attorney or his or her designee shall serve as the chairperson to preside over all meetings."

"(d) If any designated agency fails to carry out its duties relating to participation on the ~~local~~ review committee, the chief superior court judge of the circuit or any superior court judge who is a member of the ~~Georgia Child Fatality Review Panel~~ panel shall issue an order requiring the participation of such agency. Failure to comply with such order shall be cause for punishment as for contempt of court.

(e) Deaths eligible for review by ~~local~~ review committees are all deaths of children ages birth through 17 as a result of:

(1) Sudden Infant Death Syndrome;

(2) Any unexpected or unexplained conditions;

(3) Unintentional injuries;

(4) Intentional injuries;

(5) Sudden death when the child is in apparent good health;

(6) Any manner that is suspicious or unusual;

(7) Medical conditions when unattended by a physician. For the purpose of this paragraph, no person shall be deemed to have died unattended when the death occurred while the person was a patient of a hospice licensed under Article 9 of Chapter 7 of Title 31; ~~or~~

(8) Serving as an inmate of a state hospital or a state, county, or city penal institution; or

(9) Child abuse."

"(g) If the death of a child occurs outside the child's county of residence, it shall be the duty of the medical examiner or coroner in the county where the child died to notify the medical examiner or coroner in the county of the child's residence. It shall be the duty of such medical examiner or coroner to provide the protocol committee of the county of such child's residence with copies of all information and reports required by subsections (i) and (j) of this Code section.

(h) When a county medical examiner or coroner receives a report regarding the death of any child, he or she shall within 48 hours of the death notify the chairperson of the ~~child fatality~~ review committee ~~of~~ for the county or circuit in which such child resided at the time of death.

(i) The coroner or county medical examiner shall review the findings regarding the cause and manner of death for each child death report received and respond as follows:

(1) If the death does not meet the criteria for review pursuant to subsection (e) of this Code section, the coroner or county medical examiner shall sign the form designated by the panel stating that the death does not meet the criteria for review. He or she shall forward the form and findings, within seven days of the child's death, to the chairperson of the ~~child fatality~~ review committee ~~in~~ for the county or circuit of the child's residence; or

(2) If the death meets the criteria for review pursuant to subsection (e) of this Code section, the coroner or county medical examiner shall complete and sign the form designated by the panel stating the death meets the criteria for review. He or she shall forward the form and findings, within seven days of the child's death, to the chairperson of the ~~child fatality~~ review committee ~~in~~ for the county or circuit of the child's residence.

(j) When the chairperson of a ~~local child fatality~~ review committee receives a report from the coroner or medical examiner regarding the death of a child, ~~that~~ such chairperson shall review the report and findings regarding the cause and manner of the child's death and respond as follows:

(1) If the report indicates the child's death does not meet the criteria for review and the chairperson agrees with this decision, the chairperson shall sign the form designated by the panel stating that the death does not meet the criteria for review. He or she shall forward the form and findings to the panel within seven days of receipt;

(2) If the report indicates the child's death does not meet the criteria for review and the chairperson disagrees with this decision, the chairperson shall follow the procedures for deaths to be reviewed pursuant to subsection (k) of this Code section;

(3) If the report indicates the child's death meets the criteria for review and the chairperson disagrees with this decision, the chairperson shall sign the form designated by the panel stating that the death does not meet the criteria for review. The chairperson shall also attach an explanation for this decision; or

(4) If the report indicates the child's death meets the criteria for review and the chairperson agrees with this decision, the chairperson shall follow the procedures for deaths to be reviewed pursuant to subsection (k) of this Code section.

(k) When a child's death meets the criteria for review, the chairperson shall convene the review committee within 30 days after receipt of the report for a meeting to review and investigate the cause and circumstances of the death. Review committee members shall provide information as specified ~~below~~ in this subsection, except where otherwise protected by ~~statute~~ law:

(1) The providers of medical care and the medical examiner or coroner shall provide pertinent health and medical information regarding a child whose death is being reviewed by the ~~local~~ review committee;

(2) State, county, or local government agencies shall provide all of the following data on forms designated by the panel for reporting child fatalities:

(A) Birth information for children who died at less than one year of age, including confidential information collected for medical and health use;

(B) Death information for children who have not reached their eighteenth birthday;

(C) Law enforcement investigative data, medical examiner or coroner investigative data, and parole and probation information and records;

(D) Medical care, including dental, mental, and prenatal health care; and

(E) Pertinent information from any social services agency that provided services to the child or family; and

(3) The review committee may obtain from any superior court judge of the county or circuit for which the review committee was created a subpoena to compel the production of documents or attendance of witnesses when that judge has made a finding that such documents or witnesses are necessary for the review committee's review. Service of, objection to, and enforcement of subpoenas authorized by this Code section shall be governed by the procedures set forth in Chapter 13 of Title 24. However, this Code section shall not modify or impair the privileged communications as provided by law except as otherwise provided in Code Section 19-7-5.

(4) Disclosure of protected health information pursuant to this subsection shall be considered to be for a law enforcement purpose, and the review committee shall be considered to be a law enforcement official within the meaning of the rules and regulations adopted pursuant to the federal Health Insurance Portability and Accountability Act of 1996. Disclosure of confidential or privileged matter to the review committee pursuant to this Code section shall not serve to destroy or in any way abridge the confidential or privileged character thereof, except for the purpose for which such disclosure is made."

"(8) Include other findings as requested by the ~~Georgia Child Fatality Review Panel~~ panel."

"(o) Each ~~local~~ review committee shall issue an annual report no later than the first day of July ~~in 2001 and in~~ each year ~~thereafter~~. The report shall:

(1) Specify the numbers of reports received by ~~that~~ such review committee from a county medical examiner or coroner pursuant to subsection (h) of this Code section for the preceding calendar year;

(2) Specify the number of reports of child fatality reviews prepared by the review committee during such period;

(3) Be published at least once annually in the legal organ of the county or counties for which the review committee was established with the expense of such publication paid each by such county; and

(4) Be transmitted, no later than the fifteenth day of July ~~in 2001 and in~~ each year ~~thereafter~~, to the ~~Georgia Child Fatality Review Panel~~ panel."

SECTION 2-6.

Said chapter is further amended by revising subsections (a), (b), (c), and the introductory language of subsection (i) of Code Section 19-15-4, relating to the Georgia Child Fatality Review Panel, as follows:

"(a) There is created the Georgia Child Fatality Review Panel ~~as defined in paragraph (7) of Code Section 19-15-1~~. The panel shall oversee the local child fatality review process and report to the Governor on the incidence of child deaths with recommendations for prevention.

(b) The ~~Office of the Child Advocate for the Protection of Children~~ director of the Georgia Bureau of Investigation or his or her designee shall coordinate the work of the panel and shall provide such administrative and staff support to the panel as may be necessary to enable the panel to discharge its duties under this chapter. The panel shall be attached to the ~~Office of Planning and Budget~~ Division of Forensic Sciences of the Georgia Bureau of Investigation for administrative purposes, and its planning, policy, and budget functions shall be coordinated with those of the ~~Office of the Child Advocate~~ Division of Forensic Sciences of the Georgia Bureau of Investigation.

(c) The panel shall be composed as follows:

(1) One district attorney appointed by the Governor;

(2) One juvenile court judge appointed by the Governor;

(3) Two citizen members ~~who shall be appointed by the Governor,~~ who are not employed by or officers of the state or any political subdivision thereof ~~and~~ shall be appointed by the Governor, one of whom shall come from each of the following:

(A) A ~~a~~ state-wide child abuse prevention organization; and

(B) A ~~a~~ state-wide childhood injury prevention organization;

(4) One forensic pathologist appointed by the Governor;

(5) The chairperson of the Board of Human Services;

(6) The director of the Division of Family and Children Services of the Department of Human Services;

(7) The director of the Georgia Bureau of Investigation;

(8) The chairperson of the Criminal Justice Coordinating Council;

(9) A member of the Georgia Senate appointed by the Lieutenant Governor;

(10) A member of the Georgia House of Representatives appointed by the Speaker of the House of Representatives;

(11) A local law enforcement official appointed by the Governor;

(12) A superior court judge appointed by the Governor;

(13) A coroner appointed by the Governor;

(14) The Child Advocate for the Protection of Children;

(15) The commissioner of public health; ~~and~~

(16) The commissioner of behavioral health and developmental disabilities;

(17) A member of the State Board of Education appointed by the Governor; and

(18) The commissioner of early care and learning."

"(i) By January 1 of each calendar year, the panel shall submit a report to the Governor, the Lieutenant Governor, the Speaker of the House of Representatives, ~~and~~

~~the Judiciary Committees~~ the chairperson of the Senate Judiciary Committee, and ~~House of Representatives~~ the chairperson of the House Committee on Judiciary regarding the prevalence and circumstances of child fatalities in ~~the~~ this state; shall recommend measures to reduce such fatalities caused by other than natural causes; and shall address in the report the following issues:"

SECTION 2-7.

Said chapter is further amended by revising subsections (b), (g), and (i) of Code Section 19-15-6, relating to use of information and records of protocol committees, review committees, and panels, as follows:

"(b) Notwithstanding any other provision of law to the contrary, reports of a review committee made pursuant to Code Section 19-15-3 and reports of the panel made pursuant to Code Section 19-15-4 shall be public records and shall be released to any person making a request therefor, but the ~~panel~~ protocol committee, ~~or~~ review committee, or panel having possession of such records or reports shall only release them after expunging therefrom all information contained therein which would permit identifying the deceased or abused child, any family member of the child, any alleged or suspected perpetrator of abuse upon the child, or any reporter of suspected child abuse."

"(g) A member of a protocol committee, a review committee, or the panel shall not be civilly liable or ~~criminally liable~~ subject to criminal prosecution for any disclosure of information made by such member as authorized by this Code section."

"(i) Notwithstanding any other provisions of law, information acquired by and documents, records, and reports of the panel and ~~child abuse~~ protocol committees and review committees applicable to a child who at the time of his or her death was in the custody of a state department or agency or foster parent shall not be confidential and shall be subject to Article 4 of Chapter 18 of Title 50, relating to open records."

SECTION 2-8.

Article 1 of Chapter 3 of Title 35 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to general provisions for the Georgia Bureau of Investigation, is amended by revising Code Section 35-3-5, relating to the powers and duties of the director of the Georgia Bureau of Investigation, as follows:

"35-3-5.

(a) There is created the position of director.

(b) The director shall be the chief administrative officer and shall be both appointed and removed by the Board of Public Safety with the approval of the Governor.

(c) The director shall coordinate and supervise the work of the Georgia Child Fatality Review Panel created by Code Section 19-15-4 or shall designate a person from within the bureau to serve as the coordinator and supervisor and shall provide such staffing and administrative support to the Georgia Child Fatality Review Panel as may be necessary to enable it to carry out its statutory duties.

(d) The director shall report the death of any child to the chairperson of the review committee, as such term is defined in Code Section 19-15-1, for the county in which such child resided at the time of death, unless the director or his or her designee has knowledge that such death has been reported by the county medical examiner or coroner, pursuant to Code Section 19-15-3, and shall provide such review committee access to any records of the bureau relating to such child.

~~(e)~~(e) Except as otherwise provided by this chapter, and subject to the general policy established by the board, the director shall supervise, direct, account for, organize, plan, administer, and execute the functions vested in the bureau by this chapter."

SECTION 2-9.

It is the intent of the General Assembly to provide for transparency relative to investigations involving child abuse and child fatalities in order to best protect the children of this state. The General Assembly finds that more disclosure of information may be necessary when a child is deceased. The General Assembly intends that agencies and departments of this state share data in order to conduct research for the purpose of preventing child fatalities in this state.

SECTION 2-10.

Code Section 49-5-41 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to persons and agencies permitted access to child abuse and dependency records, is amended by revising paragraphs (6), (7.1), and (8) of subsection (a), paragraph (5) of subsection (c), and subsection (e) as follows:

"(6) Any adult requesting information regarding investigations by the department or a governmental child protective agency regarding the findings or information about the case of child abuse or neglect ~~that results in a child~~ involving a fatality or near fatality~~, unless such disclosure of information would jeopardize a criminal investigation or proceeding, but such access shall be limited to a disclosure of the available facts and findings. Any identifying information, including but not limited to the child or caretaker's name, race, ethnicity, address, or telephone numbers and any other information that is privileged or confidential, shall be redacted to preserve the confidentiality of the child, other children in the household, and the child's parents, guardians, custodians, or caretakers~~; provided, however, that the following may be redacted from such records:

(A) Any record of law enforcement or prosecution agencies in any pending investigation or prosecution of criminal activity contained within the child abuse, neglect, or dependency records;

(B) Medical and mental health records made confidential by other provisions of law;

(C) Privileged communications of an attorney;

(D) The identifying information of a person who reported suspected child abuse;

(E) Information that may cause mental or physical harm to the sibling or other child living in the household of the child being investigated;

(F) The name of a child who is the subject of reported child abuse or neglect;
(G) The name of any parent or other person legally responsible for the child who is the subject of reported child abuse or neglect, provided that such person is not under investigation for the reported child abuse or neglect; and
(H) The name of any member of the household of the child who is the subject of reported child abuse or neglect, provided that such person is not under investigation for the reported child abuse or neglect."

"(7.1) A child advocacy center which is certified by the ~~Child Abuse Protocol Committee of~~ protocol committee, as such term is defined in Code Section 19-15-1, for the county where the principal office of the center is located as participating in the ~~Georgia Network of~~ Children's Advocacy Centers of Georgia or a similar accreditation organization and which is operated for the purpose of investigation of known or suspected child abuse and treatment of a child or a family which is the subject of a report of abuse, and which has been created and supported through one or more intracommunity compacts between such advocacy center and one or more police agencies, the office of the district attorney, a legally mandated public or private child protective agency, a mental health board, and a community health service board; provided, however, that any child advocacy center which is granted access to records concerning reports of child abuse shall be subject to the confidentiality provisions of subsection (b) of Code Section 49-5-40 and shall be subject to the penalties imposed by Code Section 49-5-44 for authorizing or permitting unauthorized access to or use of such records;

(8) Police or any other law enforcement agency of this state or any other state or any medical examiner or coroner investigating a report of known or suspected abuse or any ~~child fatality~~ review ~~panel~~ committee or ~~child abuse~~ protocol committee ~~or subcommittee thereof~~ created pursuant to Chapter 15 of Title 19, it being found by the General Assembly that the disclosure of such information is necessary in order for such entities to carry out their legal responsibilities to protect children from abuse and neglect, which protective actions include bringing criminal actions for such abuse or neglect, and that such disclosure is therefore permissible and encouraged under the 1992 amendments to Section 107(b)(4) of the Child Abuse Prevention and Treatment Act, 42 U.S.C. Section 5106(A)(b)(4); and"

"(5) An agency, facility, or person having responsibility or authorization to assist in making a judicial determination for the child who is the subject of the report or record of child abuse, including but not limited to members of officially recognized citizen review panels, court appointed guardians ad litem, certified Court Appointed Special Advocate (CASA) volunteers who are appointed by a judge of a juvenile court to act as advocates for the best interest of a child in a juvenile proceeding, and members of a ~~county child abuse~~ protocol committee ~~or task force~~, as such term is defined in Code Section 19-15-1;"

"(e)(1) Except as provided in paragraph (2) of this subsection and notwithstanding ~~Notwithstanding~~ any other provisions of law, ~~with the exception of medical and mental health records made confidential by other provisions of law,~~ child abuse and

dependency records shall not be confidential and shall be subject to Article 4 of Chapter 18 of Title 50 if the records are applicable to a child who at the time of his or her fatality or near fatality was:

~~(1)~~(A) In the custody of a state department or agency or in the care of a foster parent;

~~(2)~~(B) A child as defined in paragraph (3) of Code Section 15-11-741; or

~~(3)~~(C) The subject of an investigation, report, referral, or complaint under Code Section 15-11-743

~~shall not be confidential and shall be subject to Article 4 of Chapter 18 of Title 50, relating to open records; provided, however, that any identifying information, including but not limited to the child or caretaker's name, race, ethnicity, address, or telephone numbers and any other information that is privileged or confidential, shall be redacted to preserve the confidentiality of the child, other children in the household, and the child's parents, guardians, custodians, or caretakers~~.

(2) The following may be redacted from such records:

(A) Medical and mental health records made confidential by other provisions of law;

(B) Privileged communications of an attorney;

(C) The identifying information of a person who reported suspected child abuse;

(D) The name of a child who suffered a near fatality;

(E) The name of any sibling of the child who suffered the fatality or near fatality; and

(F) Any record of law enforcement or prosecution agencies in any pending investigation or prosecution of criminal activity contained within the child abuse, neglect, or dependency records.

(3) Upon the release of documents pursuant to this subsection, the department may comment publicly on the case."

PART III

SECTION 3-1.

The Committee substitute, as amended, was adopted.

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

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

Y Abrams	Y Coomer	N Gregory	Y McCall	Sims, C
Y Alexander	Y Cooper	Y Hamilton	Y McClain	Y Smith, E
Y Allison	Y Dawkins-Haigler	Y Harbin	Y Meadows	Y Smith, L
Y Anderson	Y Deffenbaugh	Y Harden	E Mitchell	Y Smith, M
Atwood	Y Dempsey	Y Harrell	N Moore	Y Smith, R

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

On the passage of the Bill, by substitute, as amended, the ayes were 164, nays 2.

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

SR 875. By Senators Hill of the 4th, Tippins of the 37th, Beach of the 21st and Albers of the 56th:

A RESOLUTION creating the Joint Study Committee on the Property Tax Digest Impact on Education Funding; and for other purposes.

The following Committee substitute was read and adopted:

A RESOLUTION

Creating the Joint Study Committee on the Property Tax Digest Impact on Education Funding; and for other purposes.

WHEREAS, it would be beneficial to study and evaluate the reporting of local tax revenues that impact the funding received by local school systems, specifically but not limited to equalization and five mill share; and

WHEREAS, specific issues that must be addressed include tax digest reporting, economic development related revenues paid "in lieu" of taxes, and any other arrangements that impact a local tax digest, including abatements; and

WHEREAS, for such purposes, it would be beneficial to work with and receive data and information from the Department of Revenue, the Department of Education, and the Department of Audits and Accounts and to request cooperation and input from local tax officials.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF GEORGIA that there is created the Joint Study Committee on the Property Tax Digest Impact on Education Funding to be composed of ten members as follows:

(1) Five members of the Senate, which shall include at least one member from each of the political parties whose candidates for the office of Governor at the last election for such office received the highest and second highest number of votes cast for such office, appointed by the President of the Senate; and

(2) Five members of the House of Representatives, which shall include at least one member from each of the political parties whose candidates for the office of Governor at the last election for such office received the highest and second highest number of votes cast for such office, appointed by the Speaker of the House of Representatives.

The President of the Senate and the Speaker of the House of Representatives shall each designate one of his appointees to serve as cochairpersons. The committee may elect other officers as deemed necessary. The cochairpersons may designate and appoint subcommittees from among the membership of the committee as well as appoint other persons to perform such functions as they may determine to be necessary and relevant to and consistent with this resolution. The cochairpersons shall only vote to break a tie. The committee shall meet at the call of the cochairpersons. The committee shall hold at least three public hearings and at least one meeting to discuss and finalize findings. A quorum for transacting business shall be a majority of the members of the committee.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the committee may conduct its meetings at such places and at such times as it may deem necessary or convenient to enable it to exercise fully and effectively its powers, perform its duties, and accomplish the objectives and purposes of this resolution. Legislative members of the committee shall receive the allowances provided for in Code Section 28-1-8 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated. The allowances authorized by this resolution shall not be received by any member of the committee for more than five days unless additional days are authorized. The funds necessary to carry out the provisions of this resolution shall come from funds appropriated to the Senate and House of Representatives.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the committee shall make a report of its findings to the President of the Senate, Speaker of the House of Representatives, and chairpersons of the House Committee on Appropriations and the Senate Appropriations Committee on or before December 31, 2014. The committee shall stand abolished on December 31, 2014.

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

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

Y Abrams	Y Coomer	Y Gregory	Y McCall	Sims, C
Y Alexander	Y Cooper	Y Hamilton	Y McClain	Y Smith, E
Y Allison	Y Dawkins-Haigler	Y Harbin	Y Meadows	Y Smith, L
Y Anderson	Y Deffenbaugh	Y Harden	E Mitchell	Y Smith, M
Y Atwood	Y Dempsey	Y Harrell	Y Moore	Y Smith, R
Y Ballinger	Y Dickerson	Y Hatchett	Y Morgan	Y Smyre
Y Barr	Y Dickey	Y Hawkins	Y Morris	Y Spencer
Y Battles	Y Dickson	Y Henson	Y Mosby	Y Stephens, M
E Beasley-Teague	Y Dollar	Y Hightower	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 Stover
Y Benton	Y Dukes	Y Holt	Y Pak	Y Strickland
Y Beverly	Y Dunahoo	Y Houston	Y Parrish	Y Talton
Y Black	Y Duncan	Y Howard	Y Parsons	Y Tankersley
Y Braddock	Y Dutton	Y Hugley	Y Peake	Y Tanner
Y Broadrick	Y Efstration	Y Jackson	Y Pezold	Y Tarvin
Y Brockway	Y Ehrhart	Y Jacobs	Y Powell, A	Taylor, D
Y Brooks	Y England	Y Jasperse	Y Powell, J	Y Taylor, T
Y Bruce	Y Epps, C	Y Jones, J	Y Prince	Y Teasley
Y Bryant	Y Epps, J	Y Jones, L	Y Pruett	Y Thomas, A.M.
Y Buckner	Y Evans	Y Jones, S	Y Quick	Y Turner
Y Burns	Y Fleming	Y Jordan	Y Ramsey	Y Waites
Y Caldwell, J	Y Floyd	Y Kaiser	Y Randall	Y Watson, B
Y Caldwell, M	Y Fludd	Y Kelley	Y Rice	Y Watson, S
Y Carson	Y Frazier	Y Kendrick	Y Riley	Y Welch
Y Carter	Y Frye	Y Kidd	Y Roberts	Y Weldon
Y Casas	Y Fullerton	Y Kirby	Y Rogers, C	Y Wilkerson
Y Chandler	Y Gardner	Y Knight	Y Rogers, T	Y Wilkinson
Y Channell	Y Gasaway	Y Lindsey	Y Rutledge	Y Willard
Y Chapman	Y Geisinger	Y Lumsden	Y Rynders	Y Williams, A
Y Cheokas	Y Glanton	Y Mabra	Y Scott	Y Williams, C
Y Clark, J	Y Golick	Y Marin	Y Setzler	Y Williams, E
Y Clark, V	Y Gordon	Y Martin	Y Sharper	Y Williamson
Y Coleman	Y Gravley	Y Maxwell	Y Shaw	E Yates
Y Cooke	Y Greene	Y Mayo	Y Sims, B	Ralston, Speaker

On the adoption of the Resolution, by substitute, the ayes were 174, nays 0.

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

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

Mr. Speaker:

The Senate has adopted by the requisite constitutional majority the following resolution of the Senate:

SR 1236. By Senators Balfour of the 9th, Shafer of the 48th, Albers of the 56th and Jones of the 25th:

A RESOLUTION requesting the Georgia Secretary of State to look into the feasibility of vote-by-phone in Georgia by conducting a pilot program in the 2014 election for use by overseas and military voters; and for other purposes.

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

SB 98. By Senators Hill of the 32nd, Gooch of the 51st, Miller of the 49th, Heath of the 31st, Ligon, Jr. of the 3rd and others:

A BILL to be entitled an Act to provide a short title; to amend Article 1 of Chapter 24 of Title 33 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to insurance generally, so as to provide a definition; to opt out of funding certain abortions through certain qualified health plans; to provide for certain exceptions; to provide for a right of intervention in certain lawsuits; to provide an effective date; to repeal conflicting laws; and for other purposes.

The following Committee substitute was read and withdrawn:

A BILL TO BE ENTITLED
AN ACT

To amend Article 1 of Chapter 24 of Title 33 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to insurance generally, so as to provide definitions; to opt out of funding certain abortions through certain qualified health plans; to provide for certain exceptions; to amend Article 1 of Chapter 18 of Title 45 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to public employees' insurance and benefit plans, so as to change certain provisions relating to expenses not to be covered by the state health benefit plan; to repeal conflicting laws; and for other purposes.

BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF GEORGIA:

SECTION 1.

Article 1 of Chapter 24 of Title 33 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to insurance generally, is amended by adding a new Code section to read as follows:

"33-24-59.17.

(a) No abortion coverage shall be provided by a qualified health plan offered within the State of Georgia through a state exchange created pursuant to the federal Patient Protection and Affordable Care Act (Public Law 111-148), as amended by the federal Health Care and Education Reconciliation Act of 2010 (Public Law 111-152), and regulations or guidance issued under those acts, except in the case of medical emergency.

(b) For the purposes of this Code section, the term 'abortion' has the same meaning as provided in Code Section 31-9A-2.

(c) For the purposes of this Code section, the term 'medical emergency' has the same meaning as provided in Code Section 31-9A-2.

(d) Nothing in this Code section shall be construed as creating or recognizing a right to an abortion.

(e) It is not the intention of this Code section to make lawful an abortion that is currently unlawful."

SECTION 2.

Article 1 of Chapter 18 of Title 45 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to public employees' insurance and benefit plans, is amended by revising Code Section 45-18-4, relating to expenses not to be covered by the state health benefit plan, as follows:

"45-18-4.

The health insurance plan shall not include expenses incurred by or on account of an individual prior to the effective date of the plan; expenses for services received for injury or sickness due to war or any act of war, whether declared or undeclared, which war or act of war shall have occurred after the effective date of this plan; expenses for which the individual is not required to make payment; expenses to the extent of benefits provided under any employer group plan other than this plan in which the state participates in the cost thereof; expenses for abortion services except to the extent permitted under rules or regulations of the board as such existed on January 1, 2014; and such other expenses as may be excluded by regulations of the board. For purposes of this Code section, the terms 'abortion' and 'medical emergency' shall have the same meanings as provided in Code Section 31-9A-2."

SECTION 3.

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

The following substitute, offered by the Committee on Rules, was read:

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AN ACT

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SECTION 3.

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

The following amendment was read:

Representative Setzler of the 35th et al. offer the following amendment:

Amend the LC 25 6403S substitute to SB 98 by striking all matter from line 1 through line 43 and inserting in lieu thereof the following:

To amend Article 1 of Chapter 24 of Title 33 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to insurance generally, so as to provide definitions; to prohibit coverage of certain abortions through certain qualified health plans; to provide for certain exceptions; to provide for a right of intervention in certain lawsuits; to amend Article 1 of Chapter 18 of Title 45 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to public employees' insurance and benefit plans, so as to change certain provisions relating to expenses not to be covered by the state health benefit plan; to provide for related matters; to provide an effective date; to repeal conflicting laws; and for other purposes.

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SECTION 3.

The General Assembly, by joint resolution, may appoint one or more of its members who sponsored or cosponsored this Act in his or her official capacity to intervene as a matter of right in any case in which the constitutionality of this Act or any portion thereof is challenged.

SECTION 4.

This Act shall become effective upon its approval by the Governor or upon its becoming law without such approval.

SECTION 5.

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

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

N Abrams	Y Coomer	Y Gregory	McCall	N Sims, C
N Alexander	Cooper	Y Hamilton	N McClain	N Smith, E
Y Allison	N Dawkins-Haigler	Y Harbin	Y Meadows	Y Smith, L
N Anderson	Y Deffenbaugh	Y Harden	E Mitchell	N Smith, M
Y Atwood	Y Dempsey	Y Harrell	Y Moore	Y Smith, R
Y Ballinger	N Dickerson	Y Hatchett	N Morgan	N Smyre

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

On the adoption of the amendment, the ayes were 98, nays 67.

The amendment was adopted.

The Rules Committee substitute, as amended, was adopted.

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

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

N Abrams	Y Coomer	Y Gregory	Y McCall	Sims, C
N Alexander	Cooper	Y Hamilton	N McClain	N Smith, E
Y Allison	N Dawkins-Haigler	Y Harbin	Y Meadows	Y Smith, L
N Anderson	Y Deffenbaugh	Y Harden	E Mitchell	N Smith, M
Y Atwood	Y Dempsey	Y Harrell	Y Moore	Y Smith, R
Y Ballinger	Dickerson	Y Hatchett	N Morgan	N Smyre
Y Barr	Y Dickey	Y Hawkins	Y Morris	Y Spencer
Y Battles	Y Dickson	N Henson	N Mosby	N Stephens, M
E Beasley-Teague	Y Dollar	Y Hightower	Y Nimmer	Y Stephens, R

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

On the passage of the Bill, by substitute, as amended, the ayes were 105, nays 64.

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

House of Representatives
Coverdell Legislative Office Building, Room 411
Atlanta, Georgia 30334

March 18, 2014

Bill Reilly, Clerk
House of Representatives
Atlanta, Georgia

IN RE: Senate Bill 98

Dear Mr. Reilly:

Pursuant to the Rule 136 of this House, this letter is to request that my vote on Senate Bill 98 reflects a NO vote as was my vote on my machine which malfunctioned. Thanks in

advance for your assistance in this matter. If you require additional information, please do not hesitate to contact me.

Sincerely,

/s/ Pamela Stephenson

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

Mr. Speaker:

The Senate has adopted by the requisite constitutional majority the following resolution of the House:

HR 1200. By Representatives Roberts of the 155th, England of the 116th, Talton of the 147th, Burns of the 159th, McCall of the 33rd and others:

A RESOLUTION honoring the life of Trooper James David Young and dedicating a road in his memory; and for other purposes.

The Senate has adopted by substitute, by the requisite constitutional majority, the following resolution of the House:

HR 1573. By Representative Roberts of the 155th:

A RESOLUTION creating the Joint Study Committee on Critical Transportation Infrastructure Funding; and for other purposes.

The Speaker announced the House in recess until 1:15 o'clock, this afternoon.

AFTERNOON SESSION

The Speaker called the House to order.

Representative Pruett of the 149th District, Chairman of the Committee on State Planning and Community Affairs, submitted the following report:

Mr. Speaker:

Your Committee on State Planning and Community Affairs has had under consideration the following Resolution of the House and has instructed me to report the same back to the House with the following recommendation:

HR 1828 Do Pass

Respectfully submitted,
/s/ Pruett of the 149th
Chairman

The following messages were received from the Senate through Mr. Cook, the Secretary thereof:

Mr. Speaker:

The Senate has adopted by the requisite constitutional majority the following resolution of the House:

HR 1158. By Representatives Martin of the 49th, Parsons of the 44th, Geisinger of the 48th and Smith of the 70th:

A RESOLUTION encouraging the Administration and Congress to establish a national energy policy that strengthens access to and removal of impediments to all available domestic sources of energy to improve its affordability and reliability; and for other purposes.

Mr. Speaker:

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

HB 1043. By Representatives Rutledge of the 109th, Welch of the 110th, Strickland of the 111th, Knight of the 130th and Yates of the 73rd:

A BILL to be entitled an Act to amend an Act to provide for the Henry County Board of Elections and Registration, approved May 3, 2006 (Ga. L. 2006, p. 4062), as amended, so as to provide for a process for removing the elections supervisor for cause; to provide for a term of office for the elections supervisor; to provide for a method of appointing a successor elections supervisor in the event of death, resignation, or removal; to provide for related matters; to repeal conflicting laws; and for other purposes.

HB 1109. By Representatives Taylor of the 79th and Jacobs of the 80th:

A BILL to be entitled an Act to amend an Act incorporating the City of Dunwoody, approved March 25, 2008 (Ga. L. 2008, p. 3536), as amended, so as to provide for a special service district; to provide for the provision of services; to prohibit the mayor or members of the city council to serve on a board or commission; to prohibit the circumvention of certain ordinance requirements; to permit transfer of appropriations between departments; to authorize the city manager to transfer funds; to permit the mayor to appoint a clerk; to change certain provisions relative to the municipal court; to provide for a homestead exemption from ad valorem taxes; to provide for a charter commission; to repeal conflicting laws; and for other purposes.

HB 1122. By Representatives Evans of the 42nd, Ehrhart of the 36th, Parsons of the 44th, Morgan of the 39th, Smith of the 41st and others:

A BILL to be entitled an Act to amend an Act creating the State Court of Cobb County, approved March 26, 1964 (Ga. L. 1964, p. 3211), as amended, particularly by an Act approved May 7, 2013 (Ga. L. 2013, p. 4428), so as to change the compensation of the judges of the state court; to provide an effective date; to repeal conflicting laws; and for other purposes.

HB 1123. By Representatives Ehrhart of the 36th, Setzler of the 35th, Carson of the 46th, Evans of the 42nd, Smith of the 41st and others:

A BILL to be entitled an Act to amend an Act changing the compensation of the clerk of the superior court, the sheriff, and the judge of the Probate Court of Cobb County from the fee system to the salary system, approved February 9, 1949 (Ga. L. 1949, p. 427), as amended, so as to change the compensation of the clerk of the superior court; to provide for an executive assistant and an executive secretary; to provide for the appointment, qualifications, and salaries of such positions; to repeal conflicting laws; and for other purposes.

HB 1124. By Representatives Setzler of the 35th, Gregory of the 34th, Evans of the 42nd, Cooper of the 43rd, Golick of the 40th and others:

A BILL to be entitled an Act to amend an Act creating a new charter for the City of Kennesaw, approved May 6, 2013 (Ga. L. 2013, p. 4234), so as to change the provisions relating to the corporate limits of the city; to repeal conflicting laws; and for other purposes.

HB 1126. By Representatives Evans of the 42nd, Ehrhart of the 36th, Wilkerson of the 38th, Setzler of the 35th, Carson of the 46th and others:

A BILL to be entitled an Act to amend an Act creating the Cobb Judicial Circuit, approved February 19, 1951 (Ga. L. 1951, p. 184), as amended, particularly by an Act approved May 7, 2013 (Ga. L. 2013, p. 4435), so as to provide for a supplement to be paid to each of the judges of the superior court of such circuit and an additional supplement for the chief judge of such circuit; to provide for related matters; to provide for an effective date; to repeal conflicting laws; and for other purposes.

HB 1127. By Representatives Evans of the 42nd, Ehrhart of the 36th, Wilkerson of the 38th, Setzler of the 35th, Carson of the 46th and others:

A BILL to be entitled an Act to amend an Act changing the compensation of the clerk of the superior court, the sheriff, and the judge of the Probate Court of Cobb County from the fee system to the salary system, approved February 9, 1949 (Ga. L. 1949, p. 427), as amended, particularly by an Act approved May 12, 2008 (Ga. L. 2008, p. 3732), so as to change the compensation of the judge of the probate court; to provide for related matters; to provide for an effective date; to repeal conflicting laws; and for other purposes.

HB 1129. By Representative Pezold of the 133rd:

A BILL to be entitled an Act to provide for a new charter for the City of Hamilton; to provide for incorporation, corporate boundaries, municipal powers, and exercise of powers; to provide for specific repealer; to provide an effective date; to provide a general repealer; and for other purposes.

Mr. Speaker:

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

SB 429. By Senator Hill of the 32nd:

A BILL to be entitled an Act to amend an Act consolidating the offices of tax collector and tax receiver into the office of tax commissioner of Cobb County,

approved February 17, 1949 (Ga. L. 1949, p. 790), as amended, particularly by an Act approved May 6, 2013 (Ga. L. 2013, p. 4188), so as to change the compensation of certain employees of such office; to repeal conflicting laws; and for other purposes.

The following Resolutions of the House were read and adopted:

HR 1866. By Representatives Ralston of the 7th, Hatchett of the 150th, England of the 116th, Meadows of the 5th, Ballinger of the 23rd and others:

A RESOLUTION remembering and honoring the life of Donald "Doc" Jasperse of Kingsport, Tennessee; and for other purposes.

HR 1867. By Representatives Ralston of the 7th, Geisinger of the 48th, Wilkinson of the 52nd, Willard of the 51st, Pezold of the 133rd and others:

A RESOLUTION honoring the life and memory of Howard "Bo" Callaway; and for other purposes.

HR 1868. By Representatives Buckner of the 137th, Smyre of the 135th, Hugley of the 136th, Smith of the 134th and Pezold of the 133rd:

A RESOLUTION recognizing and commending members of the Region 7 Emergency Medical Services Section; and for other purposes.

HR 1869. By Representatives Martin of the 49th, Jones of the 47th, Riley of the 50th, Geisinger of the 48th, Willard of the 51st and others:

A RESOLUTION recognizing and commending Judge Jim Matoney on the occasion of his retirement; and for other purposes.

HR 1870. By Representatives Buckner of the 137th and Bentley of the 139th:

A RESOLUTION commending Pastor Franklin Holmes; and for other purposes.

HR 1871. By Representative Waites of the 60th:

A RESOLUTION commending Sharie Rosales, Thomasville Heights Elementary School's 2014 Teacher of the Year; and for other purposes.

HR 1872. By Representative Waites of the 60th:

A RESOLUTION commending Alma McCray, South Atlanta School of Health and Medical Science's 2014 Teacher of the Year; and for other purposes.

HR 1873. By Representative Waites of the 60th:

A RESOLUTION commending Suzanne Laisney, Hapeville Elementary School's 2014 Teacher of the Year; and for other purposes.

HR 1874. By Representative Waites of the 60th:

A RESOLUTION commending Tamayra Watson, North Clayton Middle School's 2014 Teacher of the Year; and for other purposes.

HR 1875. By Representative Waites of the 60th:

A RESOLUTION commending Camisha Pruitt, Fountain Elementary School's 2014 Teacher of the Year; and for other purposes.

HR 1876. By Representative Waites of the 60th:

A RESOLUTION commending Shereen Zimmerman, North Clayton Middle School's 2014 Teacher of the Year; and for other purposes.

HR 1877. By Representative Waites of the 60th:

A RESOLUTION commending Jason Paggett, Benteen Elementary School's 2014 Teacher of the Year; and for other purposes.

HR 1878. By Representative Waites of the 60th:

A RESOLUTION recognizing and commending the Visual and Performing Arts Magnet Program at Tri-Cities High School production of Dreamgirls; and for other purposes.

HR 1879. By Representative Waites of the 60th:

A RESOLUTION commending Edgar Levy, Forest Park Middle School's 2014 Teacher of the Year; and for other purposes.

HR 1880. By Representative Waites of the 60th:

A RESOLUTION commending Tamika Crawford, Edmonds Elementary School's 2014 Teacher of the Year; and for other purposes.

HR 1881. By Representative Waites of the 60th:

A RESOLUTION commending Corjual Jabari, Huie Elementary School's 2014 Teacher of the Year; and for other purposes.

HR 1882. By Representatives Buckner of the 137th, Smyre of the 135th, Smith of the 134th, Hugley of the 136th and Pezold of the 133rd:

A RESOLUTION recognizing and commending the Kendrick High School girls basketball team; and for other purposes.

HR 1883. By Representative Chapman of the 167th:

A RESOLUTION recognizing and commending Kate Worthley, Ava Parker, and Emily Prater; and for other purposes.

HR 1884. By Representative Rice of the 95th:

A RESOLUTION recognizing and commending Christine Glavine; and for other purposes.

HR 1885. By Representatives Anderson of the 92nd and Dawkins-Haigler of the 91st:

A RESOLUTION recognizing and commending First Saint Paul A. M. E. Church on the occasion of its 17th anniversary; and for other purposes.

HR 1886. By Representatives Smith of the 70th, Riley of the 50th, Harden of the 148th, Geisinger of the 48th and Williams of the 119th:

A RESOLUTION recognizing and commending Buck Dixon; and for other purposes.

HR 1887. By Representative Lumsden of the 12th:

A RESOLUTION honoring Sam "Laan" L. Cordle, Jr., on the event of his retirement; and for other purposes.

HR 1888. By Representatives Atwood of the 179th and Wilkinson of the 52nd:

A RESOLUTION recognizing and commending the King and Prince Beach & Golf Resort, a prestigious landmark of St. Simons Island, Georgia, on its continual display of excellent accommodations and customer service; and for other purposes.

HR 1889. By Representatives Williams of the 119th, Frye of the 118th, Quick of the 117th, Rogers of the 29th and Ehrhart of the 36th:

A RESOLUTION recognizing and commending Dr. James Hamilton, Dr. Audrey Haynes, and Dr. David Mustard for being awarded the Josiah Meigs Distinguished Teaching Professorship; and for other purposes.

HR 1890. By Representatives Williams of the 119th, Frye of the 118th, Quick of the 117th, Jasperse of the 11th and Smith of the 134th:

A RESOLUTION recognizing and commending Dr. Beverly Sparks; and for other purposes.

HR 1891. By Representatives Dawkins-Haigler of the 91st, Stephenson of the 90th, Anderson of the 92nd and Dickerson of the 113th:

A RESOLUTION recognizing and commending the Olivia Haydel Senior Center; and for other purposes.

HR 1892. By Representatives Taylor of the 173rd, Carter of the 175th and Watson of the 172nd:

A RESOLUTION honoring the life and memory of Ira Flowers; and for other purposes.

HR 1893. By Representative Taylor of the 173rd:

A RESOLUTION honoring the life and memory of Hosea Lorenzo Williams; and for other purposes.

HR 1894. By Representatives Bruce of the 61st, Fludd of the 64th, Alexander of the 66th, Wilkerson of the 38th, Mosby of the 83rd and others:

A RESOLUTION recognizing and commending Black Men Run; and for other purposes.

HR 1895. By Representative Kelley of the 16th:

A RESOLUTION recognizing and commending Lee Wilkerson on the occasion of his retirement; and for other purposes.

HR 1896. By Representatives Welch of the 110th, Coomer of the 14th, Rutledge of the 109th, Atwood of the 179th, Caldwell of the 131st and others:

A RESOLUTION recognizing and commending A.J. "Buddy" Welch, Jr., on the occasion of his retirement; and for other purposes.

HR 1897. By Representatives Taylor of the 173rd, Carter of the 175th and Watson of the 172nd:

A RESOLUTION recognizing May 14, 2014, as Childhood Apraxia of Speech Awareness Day; and for other purposes.

HR 1898. By Representatives Morgan of the 39th, Bennett of the 94th, Bell of the 58th, Randall of the 142nd, Hugley of the 136th and others:

A RESOLUTION recognizing the month of July, 2014, as Fibroid Awareness Month at the state capitol; and for other purposes.

HR 1899. By Representatives Willard of the 51st, Ralston of the 7th, Fleming of the 121st, Lindsey of the 54th, Abrams of the 89th and others:

A RESOLUTION congratulating Charles L. Ruffin for his outstanding leadership of the State Bar of Georgia; and for other purposes.

HR 1900. By Representatives Taylor of the 79th, Allison of the 8th and Tanner of the 9th:

A RESOLUTION recognizing and commending Owen Firebaugh; and for other purposes.

HR 1901. By Representatives Evans of the 42nd, Wilkerson of the 38th, Morgan of the 39th, Smith of the 41st and Golick of the 40th:

A RESOLUTION commending Mike Rogers for signing an athletic scholarship; and for other purposes.

HR 1902. By Representative Epps of the 144th:

A RESOLUTION commending Sarah Pounds, Jones County High School's 2014 STAR Student; and for other purposes.

HR 1903. By Representative Epps of the 144th:

A RESOLUTION commending Elizabeth Brack, Trinity Christian School's 2014 STAR Student; and for other purposes.

HR 1904. By Representative Williams of the 119th:

A RESOLUTION honoring the life and memory of Felicite Augusta "Miss Gus" Bryan Verner; and for other purposes.

HR 1905. By Representative Epps of the 144th:

A RESOLUTION commending Susan Glover, Jones County High School's 2014 STAR Teacher; and for other purposes.

HR 1906. By Representative Epps of the 144th:

A RESOLUTION commending DeJa Rashida Cornelius, Twiggs County High School's 2014 STAR Student; and for other purposes.

HR 1907. By Representative Epps of the 144th:

A RESOLUTION commending Holly Spires, Bleckley County High School's 2014 STAR Teacher; and for other purposes.

HR 1908. By Representative Epps of the 144th:

A RESOLUTION commending Hannah Clara-Lynn DeLoach, Bleckley County High School's 2014 STAR Student; and for other purposes.

HR 1909. By Representative Epps of the 144th:

A RESOLUTION commending Willie Stephens, Twiggs County High School's 2014 STAR Teacher; and for other purposes.

HR 1910. By Representative Holcomb of the 81st:

A RESOLUTION honoring the life and memory of Michael "Mike" Edward Zaldo; and for other purposes.

HR 1911. By Representatives Burns of the 159th, Tankersley of the 160th and Parrish of the 158th:

A RESOLUTION recognizing and commending the Bulloch Academy Lady Gators basketball team; and for other purposes.

HR 1912. By Representative Burns of the 159th:

A RESOLUTION honoring the life and memory of William Burton Kemp, Sr.; and for other purposes.

HR 1913. By Representative Burns of the 159th:

A RESOLUTION honoring the life and memory of Don Gay Aaron, Sr.; and for other purposes.

HR 1914. By Representatives Burns of the 159th and Hitchens of the 161st:

A RESOLUTION recognizing and commending Jakeenan Gant; and for other purposes.

HR 1915. By Representatives Burns of the 159th and Hitchens of the 161st:

A RESOLUTION honoring the life and memory of Dr. Jeffrey Rollins; and for other purposes.

HR 1916. By Representatives Lumsden of the 12th, Dempsey of the 13th and Coomer of the 14th:

A RESOLUTION commending Laura Graben, Model High School's 2014 STAR Student; and for other purposes.

HR 1917. By Representatives Lumsden of the 12th, Dempsey of the 13th and Coomer of the 14th:

A RESOLUTION commending Sally Echols, Model High School's 2014 STAR Teacher; and for other purposes.

HR 1918. By Representatives Lumsden of the 12th, Dempsey of the 13th and Coomer of the 14th:

A RESOLUTION commending Layton Hayes, Coosa High School's and Floyd County School System's 2014 STAR Student; and for other purposes.

HR 1919. By Representatives Lumsden of the 12th, Dempsey of the 13th and Coomer of the 14th:

A RESOLUTION commending Bill Daughtry, Coosa High School's 2014 STAR Teacher; and for other purposes.

HR 1920. By Representative Brockway of the 102nd:

A RESOLUTION recognizing and commending the Georgia Society of Hospital Engineers in honor of its 50th anniversary; and for other purposes.

HR 1921. By Representatives Willard of the 51st, Ralston of the 7th, Kelley of the 16th, Fleming of the 121st, Welch of the 110th and others:

A RESOLUTION remembering the life of Mr. Clifton A. Brashier, Jr., and recognizing him for his years of service to the legal community and the State of Georgia; and for other purposes.

HR 1922. By Representatives Kaiser of the 59th, Frye of the 118th, Harbin of the 122nd, Hawkins of the 27th, Strickland of the 111th and others:

A RESOLUTION honoring the life and memory of James van Buren Fowler; and for other purposes.

HR 1923. By Representatives Martin of the 49th, Jones of the 47th, Riley of the 50th, Wilkinson of the 52nd, Geisinger of the 48th and others:

A RESOLUTION congratulating the 2013 Milton High School girls lacrosse team on winning its eighth state championship in recent years; and for other purposes.

HR 1924. By Representatives Wilkinson of the 52nd, Geisinger of the 48th, Gardner of the 57th, Lindsey of the 54th and Abrams of the 89th:

A RESOLUTION recognizing and commending Lois Reitzes on the occasion of her 35th anniversary at Public Broadcasting Atlanta; and for other purposes.

HR 1925. By Representatives Taylor of the 79th, Fludd of the 64th and Riley of the 50th:

A RESOLUTION recognizing and commending Ülkü Sar kaya; and for other purposes.

HR 1926. By Representatives Willard of the 51st, Wilkinson of the 52nd, Ralston of the 7th, Martin of the 49th, Riley of the 50th and others:

A RESOLUTION honoring and commemorating the life and memory of Mr. Randolph Thrower; and for other purposes.

HR 1927. By Representatives Kendrick of the 93rd and Bennett of the 94th:

A RESOLUTION recognizing and commending the Upsilon Alpha Omega Chapter of Alpha Kappa Alpha Sorority, Inc.; and for other purposes.

HR 1928. By Representatives Anderson of the 92nd, Dawkins-Haigler of the 91st, Stephenson of the 90th, Dickerson of the 113th, Bennett of the 94th and others:

A RESOLUTION recognizing and commending Senior Pastor Christopher Morris Shipp on the occasion of his 17th pastoral anniversary; and for other purposes.

HR 1929. By Representatives Anderson of the 92nd, Kendrick of the 93rd, Dawkins-Haigler of the 91st, Bennett of the 94th and Epps of the 132nd:

A RESOLUTION recognizing and commending Pastor James C. Ward on the occasion of his 19th pastoral anniversary; and for other purposes.

HR 1930. By Representative Epps of the 144th:

A RESOLUTION commending Amanda Herrington, Trinity Christian School's 2014 STAR Teacher; and for other purposes.

Pursuant to HR 1726, the House commended Georgia Junior Cycling and invited its members to be recognized by the House of Representatives.

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

Mr. Speaker:

The Senate has adopted by substitute, by the requisite constitutional majority, the following resolution of the House:

HR 1544. By Representative Roberts of the 155th:

A RESOLUTION honoring the life of Major Henry Talmage Elrod and dedicating a road in his memory; and for other purposes.

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

HR 1724. By Representatives Williams of the 119th, Houston of the 170th, Nimmer of the 178th, Smith of the 70th and Buckner of the 137th:

A RESOLUTION encouraging state-wide support for sustainable forest certification and supporting the efforts of Sustainable Forestry Initiative; and for other purposes.

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

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

Y Abrams	Y Coomer	N Gregory	Y McCall	Y Sims, C
Y Alexander	Cooper	Y Hamilton	Y McClain	Y Smith, E
N Allison	Y Dawkins-Haigler	Y Harbin	Y Meadows	Y Smith, L
Y Anderson	Y Deffenbaugh	Y Harden	E Mitchell	Y Smith, M
Y Atwood	Y Dempsey	Y Harrell	N Moore	Y Smith, R
Y Ballinger	Y Dickerson	Y Hatchett	Y Morgan	Y Smyre
Y Barr	Y Dickey	Y Hawkins	Y Morris	Y Spencer
Y Battles	Y Dickson	Y Henson	Y Mosby	Y Stephens, M
E Beasley-Teague	Y Dollar	Y Hightower	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 Stover
Y Benton	Y Dukes	Holt	Y Pak	Y Strickland
Y Beverly	Y Dunahoo	Y Houston	Y Parrish	Y Talton
Y Black	Y Duncan	Y Howard	Y Parsons	Y Tankersley
Y Braddock	Y Dutton	Y Hugley	Y Peake	Y Tanner
Y Broadrick	Y Efstration	Y Jackson	Y Pezold	N Tarvin
Y Brockway	Y Ehrhart	Y Jacobs	Y Powell, A	Y Taylor, D
Y Brooks	Y England	Y Jasperse	Y Powell, J	Y Taylor, T
Y Bruce	Y Epps, C	Jones, J	Y Prince	Y Teasley
Y Bryant	Y Epps, J	Y Jones, L	Y Pruett	Y Thomas, A.M.
Y Buckner	Y Evans	Y Jones, S	Y Quick	Y Turner
Y Burns	Y Fleming	Y Jordan	Y Ramsey	Y Waites

Y Caldwell, J	Floyd	Y Kaiser	Y Randall	Y Watson, B
Y Caldwell, M	Fludd	Y Kelley	Y Rice	Y Watson, S
Y Carson	Y Frazier	Y Kendrick	Y Riley	Y Welch
Y Carter	Y Frye	Y Kidd	Y Roberts	Weldon
Y Casas	Y Fullerton	Y Kirby	Y Rogers, C	Y Wilkerson
Y Chandler	Y Gardner	Y Knight	Y Rogers, T	Y Wilkinson
Y Channell	Y Gasaway	Y Lindsey	Y Rutledge	Y Willard
Y Chapman	Y Geisinger	Y Lumsden	Y Rynders	Y Williams, A
Y Cheokas	Y Glanton	Y Mabra	Y Scott	Y Williams, C
Clark, J	Y Golick	Y Marin	Y Setzler	Y Williams, E
Y Clark, V	Y Gordon	Y Martin	Y Sharper	Y Williamson
Y Coleman	Y Gravley	Y Maxwell	Y Shaw	Y Yates
N Cooke	Y Greene	Y Mayo	Y Sims, B	Ralston, Speaker

On the adoption of the Resolution, the ayes were 165, nays 5.

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

SB 350. By Senators Unterman of the 45th, Millar of the 40th, Beach of the 21st, Shafer of the 48th and Sims of the 12th:

A BILL to be entitled an Act to amend Chapter 2 of Title 49 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to the Department of Human Services, so as to provide for the bidding out of child welfare services state wide through contracts with community based providers; to provide for definitions; to provide for qualifications for contractors; to provide for contract standards; to provide for a review; to provide for procedures; to provide for related matters; to provide for a contingent effective date; to provide for 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 2 of Title 49 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to the Department of Human Services, so as to establish a pilot program relating to the privatization of certain child welfare services; to provide for legislative findings; to provide for definitions; to provide for a final report; to provide for contingent effectiveness; to provide for related matters; to provide for an effective date; to repeal conflicting laws; and for other purposes.

BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF GEORGIA:

SECTION 1.

The General Assembly finds that:

(1) The Division of Family and Children Services ("DFCS") of the Department of Human Services has responsibility for the planning, administration, and management of the state's child welfare programs;

(2) Currently, DFCS relies heavily on private agencies, including the placement of almost half of the children in Georgia's foster care by private child placing agencies;

(3) Georgia is developing strategic plans, carried out in partnership with an array of allied state agencies, formal and informal collaborators, community based providers, families and children served, and concerned citizens, to respond to the evolving needs of children and families and continuous quality improvement; and

(4) Increasing the number and array of community based services to allow more children to remain safely in their homes or to transition more quickly back home or to a new adoptive family, as appropriate, should result in reduced recurrence of maltreatment and reduced child deaths associated with abuse and neglect.

SECTION 2.

Chapter 2 of Title 49 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to the Department of Human Services, is amended by adding a new Code section to read as follows:

"49-2-18.

(a) As used in this Code section, the term:

(1) 'Child welfare services' means those services relating to programs and protection for children and youth conducted pursuant to Chapter 5 of this title, including, but not limited to, adoption services, foster care, and case management services; provided, however, that child welfare services shall not include services related to child protection investigations.

(2) 'Division' means the Division of Family and Children Services of the Department of Human Services.

(b) Beginning July 1, 2014, the division shall conduct a two-year pilot program for the purpose of evaluating whether child welfare programs and child welfare services should be privatized state wide and identifying which programs and services should be privatized. The pilot program shall be established in up to three regional service areas identified by the division based on the number of children in congregate care in the service area, the degree of problems in the provision of child welfare services in the service areas, or any other appropriate factors determined by the division; provided, however, that the services provided shall not exceed 35 percent of all child welfare services provided in the regional service area. The division shall establish a request for proposals for the purpose of entering into a contract with one or more private entities to provide child welfare services for the communities in the pilot program regional service area or areas. Such request for proposal shall delineate the requirements and criteria for the provision of child welfare services. The request for proposals shall be developed with local community participation, including, but not limited to, input from

community based providers, foster parents, members of the faith community, adults who were provided care in Georgia's foster care system, and child advocacy organizations that are currently under contract with the division to furnish foster care and adoption services.

(c) In contracting for the delivery of child welfare services, the division shall retain responsibility for the quality of contracted services and programs and shall ensure that services are delivered in accordance with applicable federal and state laws and regulations. In addition, any contract entered into pursuant to the pilot program shall require adherence to nationally recognized child welfare performance outcome measures.

(d) The division shall adopt written policies and procedures for monitoring the contract for delivery of services by private entities. Such policies and procedures shall address, at a minimum, the following:

(1) Evaluation of fiscal accountability and program operations, including achievement of performance standards, monitoring of subcontractors, and timely follow-up of corrective actions for significant findings;

(2) Reduction of the duplication of the division's program monitoring activities, both internally and with other agencies, to the extent possible; and

(3) Communication of the written findings, conclusions, and recommendations from monitoring the contract for services to the division, as expeditiously as possible.

(e) The division shall evaluate the pilot program and submit a report regarding quality performance, outcome measure attainment, and cost efficiency results of the pilot program to the Governor, Lieutenant Governor, and Speaker of the House of Representatives no later than July 1, 2016. Such report shall also include recommendations as to expansion of the pilot program state wide and identification of services which should be included in privatization efforts. The outcome measures should include, but not be limited to:

(1) Increase in permanency for all infants, children, and youth by reducing time in foster placements when possible and promoting a successful transition to adulthood for older youth;

(2) Increase in positive outcomes for infants, children, youth, and families in their homes and communities and improvement of the safety and well-being of infants, children, and youth; and

(3) Prevention of child abuse and neglect and the reentry of infants, children, and youth into foster care.

(f) The division shall be authorized to establish such rules and regulations as may be necessary or desirable in order to execute the pilot program.

(g) This Code section shall become effective only if the Administration for Children and Families of the United States Department of Health and Human Services approves a federal Title IV-E waiver demonstration project, if necessary."

SECTION 2.

This Act shall become effective upon its approval by the Governor or upon its becoming law without such approval.

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:

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

On the passage of the Bill, by substitute, the ayes were 88, nays 83.

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

Representative Rogers of the 29th moved that the House reconsider its action in failing to give the requisite constitutional majority to SB 350.

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

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

On the motion, the ayes were 111, nays 57.

The motion prevailed.

SB 187. By Senator Hill of the 32nd:

A BILL to be entitled an Act to amend Code Section 50-36-1 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to requirements, procedures, and conditions for verification of lawful presence within the United States, so as to provide exemptions for the board of commissioners of the Georgia Student Finance Commission and the board of directors of the Georgia Student Finance Authority; 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 Title 17 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to criminal procedure, so as to provide for extended time frames for victims of certain crimes to request victim compensation; to clarify terminology used for persons seeking victim compensation; to provide for payment of forensic interviews under certain circumstances; to provide for related matters; to repeal conflicting laws; and for other purposes.

BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF GEORGIA:

SECTION 1.

Title 17 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to criminal procedure, is amended by revising Chapter 15, relating to victim compensation, as follows:

"CHAPTER 15

17-15-1.

The General Assembly recognizes that many innocent persons suffer personal physical injury, serious mental or emotional trauma, severe financial hardship, or death as a result of criminal acts or attempted criminal acts. The General Assembly finds and determines that there is a need for assistance for such victims of ~~crime~~ crimes. Accordingly, it is the General Assembly's intent that under certain circumstances, aid, care, and assistance be provided by the state for such victims of ~~crime~~ crimes.

17-15-2.

As used in this chapter, the term:

(1) 'Board' means the Criminal Justice Coordinating Council.

(2) 'Claimant' means any person filing a claim pursuant to this chapter.

(3) 'Crime' means:

(A) An act which is committed in this state; in a state which does not have a victims' compensation program, if the claimant is a resident of this state; or in a state which has compensated the claimant in an amount less than the claimant would be entitled to pursuant to this chapter, if the claimant is a resident of this state, and which constitutes:

(i) Hit ~~hit~~ and run ~~as defined~~ in violation of Code Section 40-6-270~~, homicide~~;

(ii) Homicide by vehicle ~~as defined~~ in violation of Code Section 40-6-393~~, serious~~;

(iii) Serious injury by vehicle ~~as defined~~ in violation of Code Section 40-6-394~~, or any act which constitutes a~~;

(iv) A violation of Code Section 16-5-46 ~~or~~;

(v) A violation of Chapter 6 ~~or~~ of Title 16;

(vi) A violation of Part 2 of Article 3 of Chapter 12 of Title 16~~, a~~;

(vii) A violation of Code Section 16-5-70~~, or a violent crime as defined by state or federal law which results in physical injury, serious mental or emotional trauma, or death to the victim~~;

(viii) Aggravated assault with the intent to rape in violation of Code Section 16-5-21;

(ix) An offense that has as an element the use, attempted use, or threatened use of physical force against the person or property of another; or

(x) Any other offense that is a felony and that, by its nature, involves a substantial risk that physical force against the person or property of another may be used in the course of committing the offense;

~~and which is committed:~~

~~(i) In this state;~~

~~(ii) In a state which does not have a victims' compensation program, if the victim is a resident of this state; or~~

~~(iii) In a state which has compensated the victim in an amount less than the victim would be entitled to pursuant to this chapter, if the victim is a resident of this state;~~

(B) An act which constitutes international terrorism as defined in 18 U.S.C. Section 2331 ~~which results in physical injury, serious mental or emotional trauma, or death to the victim, if the victim is~~ against a resident of this state ~~and is~~ when such resident was outside the territorial boundaries of the United States when such act ~~is~~ was committed; or

(C) An act of mass violence ~~which results in physical injury, serious mental or emotional trauma, or death to the victim, if the victim is~~ involving a resident of this state ~~and is~~ when such resident was outside the territorial boundaries of the United States when such act ~~is~~ was committed.

(4) 'Direct service provider' means a public or nonprofit entity which provides aid, care, and assistance ~~to a victim~~.

(5) 'Director' means the director of the Criminal Justice Coordinating Council.

(6) 'Forensic medical examination' means an examination provided to a person pursuant to subsection (c) of Code Section 16-6-1 or subsection (c) of Code Section

16-6-2 by trained medical personnel in order to gather evidence. Such examination shall include, but shall not be limited to:

(A) An examination for physical trauma;

(B) A determination as to the nature and extent of the physical trauma;

(C) A patient interview;

(D) Collection and evaluation of the evidence collected; and

(E) Any additional testing deemed necessary by the examiner in order to collect evidence and provide treatment.

(7) 'Fund' means the Georgia Crime Victims Emergency Fund.

(8) 'Investigator' means an investigator of the board.

(9) 'Serious mental or emotional trauma' means a nonphysical injury which has been documented by a licensed mental health professional and which meets the specifications promulgated by the board's rules and regulations relating to this type of trauma.

~~(10) 'Victim' means a person who:~~

~~(A) Is injured physically, who dies, or who suffers financial hardship as a result of being injured physically as a direct result of a crime;~~

~~(B) Suffers a serious mental or emotional trauma as a result of being threatened with a crime which could result in physical injury or death;~~

~~(C) Suffers a serious mental or emotional trauma as a result of being present during the commission of a crime; or~~

~~(D) Suffers a serious mental or emotional trauma as a result of being trafficked for labor or sexual servitude as defined in Code Section 16-5-46.~~

17-15-3.

(a) ~~The five-member Georgia Crime Victims Compensation Board in existence on June 30, 1992, is abolished.~~

~~(b)~~ There is created the Georgia Crime Victims Compensation Board. The Criminal Justice Coordinating Council created under Chapter 6A of Title 35 shall serve as the Georgia Crime Victims Compensation Board.

~~(c)~~(b) The Governor shall appoint the director of the Criminal Justice Coordinating Council to carry out the provisions of this chapter.

17-15-4.

(a) The board shall have the following powers and duties:

(1) To promulgate suitable rules and regulations to carry out the provisions and purposes of this chapter;

(2) To request from the Attorney General, the Department of Public Safety, the Georgia Bureau of Investigation, district attorneys, solicitors-general, judges, county and municipal law enforcement agencies, and any other agency or department such assistance and data as will enable the board to determine the needs state wide for victim compensation and whether, and the extent to which, a claimant qualifies for an award. Any person, agency, or department listed in this paragraph is authorized to

provide the board with the information requested upon receipt of a request from the board. Any provision of law providing for confidentiality of records ~~does~~ shall not apply to a request of the board pursuant to this Code section; provided, however, that the board shall preserve the confidentiality of any such records received;

(3) To hear and determine all appeals of denied claims for awards filed with the board pursuant to this chapter and to reinvestigate or reopen cases as the board deems necessary, including circumstances when it appears a claim may be time barred;

(4) To apply for funds from, and to submit all necessary forms to, any federal agency participating in a cooperative program to compensate victims of ~~crime~~ crimes and to receive and administer federal funds for the purposes of this chapter;

(5) To render awards to victims of crimes or to those other persons entitled to receive awards in the manner authorized by this chapter. Victim compensation payments may be made directly to direct service providers who are not the recipients of local, state, federal, or private grant funds awarded for purposes of providing direct services to ~~crime~~ victims of crimes. A victim or claimant may be paid directly in the case of lost wages, loss of support, and instances where the victim or claimant has paid the direct service provider and is filing for reimbursement. In all cases where the victim has incurred out-of-pocket expenses, such as lost wages or loss of support, or in cases where the victim or claimant has paid the direct service provider directly and is filing for reimbursement, the victim or claimant shall be paid first before any third party;

(6) To carry out programs designed to inform the public of the purposes of this chapter; and

(7) To render each year to the Governor and to the General Assembly a written report of its activities pursuant to this chapter.

(b) The board shall assist applicants with their claims for compensation through educational programs and administrative assistance.

17-15-5.

(a) A claim may be filed by a person eligible to receive an award, as provided in Code Section 17-15-7, or, if such person is a minor, by his or her parent or guardian. In any case in which the person entitled to make a claim is mentally incompetent, the claim may be filed on his or her behalf by his or her guardian ~~or such other~~. In any case in which the person entitled to make a claim is deceased, the claim may be filed on his or her behalf by an individual authorized to administer his or her estate.

(b)(1) A claim ~~must~~ shall be filed by ~~the claimant~~ a victim not later than ~~one year~~ three years after the occurrence of the crime upon which such claim is based or not later than ~~one year~~ three years after the death of the victim; provided, however, that if such victim was a minor at the time of the commission of the crime, he or she shall have until three years after his or her eighteenth birthday to file such claim; and provided, further, that upon good cause shown, the board may extend ~~that~~ the time for filing a claim ~~for a period not exceeding three years after such occurrence~~.

(2) Claims shall be filed in the office of the board in person or by mail.

(c) The claim shall be verified and shall contain the following:

(1) A description of the date, nature, and circumstances of the crime;
(2) A complete financial statement, including, but not limited to, the cost of medical care or burial expense, the loss of wages or support the ~~victim~~ claimant has incurred or will incur, any other emergency expenses incurred by the ~~victim~~ claimant, and the extent to which the ~~victim~~ claimant has been or may be indemnified for these expenses from any source;
(3) When appropriate, a statement indicating the extent of ~~any~~ a victim's disability resulting from the injury or serious mental or emotional trauma incurred;
(4) An authorization permitting the board to verify the contents of the application; and
(5) Such other information as the board may require.

17-15-6.
(a) A claim, once accepted for filing and completed, shall be assigned to an investigator. The investigator shall examine the papers filed in support of the claim and cause an investigation to be conducted into the validity of the claim. The investigation shall include, but shall not be limited to, an examination of law enforcement, court, and official records and reports concerning the crime and an examination of medical, psychiatric, counseling, financial, and hospital reports relating to the injury, serious mental or emotional trauma, or loss upon which the claim is based. All claims arising from the death of an individual as a direct result of a crime ~~must~~ shall be considered together by a single investigator.
(b) Claims ~~must~~ shall be investigated and determined regardless of whether ~~the alleged criminal~~ a perpetrator has been apprehended, prosecuted, or convicted of any crime based upon the same incident or whether the alleged ~~criminal~~ perpetrator has been acquitted or found not guilty of the crime in question.
(c) The investigator conducting the investigation shall file with the director a written report setting forth a recommendation and the investigator's reason therefor. The director shall render a decision and furnish the ~~victim or~~ claimant with a copy of the report if so requested. In cases where an investigative report is provided, information deemed confidential in nature shall be excluded.
(d) The claimant may, within 30 days after receipt of the report of the decision of the director, make an application in writing to the director for review of the decision.
(e) Upon receipt of an application for review pursuant to subsection (d) of this Code section, the director shall forward all relevant documents and information to the board. The board shall review the records and shall affirm or modify the decision of the director. If considered necessary by the board or if requested by the claimant, the board shall order a hearing prior to rendering a decision. At the hearing, any relevant evidence not legally privileged ~~is~~ shall be admissible. The board shall render a decision within 90 days after completion of the investigation. If the director receives no application for review pursuant to subsection (d) of this Code section, the director's decision ~~becomes~~ shall become final.

(f) The board, for purposes of this chapter, may subpoena witnesses, administer or cause to be administered oaths, and examine such parts of the books and records of the parties to proceedings as relate to questions in dispute.
(g) The director shall, within ten days after receipt of the board's final decision, make a report to the claimant, including a copy of the final decision and the reasons why the decision was made.

17-15-7.
(a) Except as otherwise provided in this Code section, the following persons ~~are~~ shall be eligible for awards pursuant to this chapter:
(1) A ~~victim~~ person who:
(A) Is injured physically, who dies, or who suffers financial hardship as a result of being injured physically as a direct result of a crime;
(B) Suffers a serious mental or emotional trauma as a result of being threatened with a crime which could result in physical injury or death;
(C) Suffers a serious mental or emotional trauma as a result of being present during the commission of a crime;
(D) Suffers a serious mental or emotional trauma as a result of being trafficked for labor servitude or sexual servitude as defined in Code Section 16-5-46; or
(E) Is a dependent spouse or child of a person who is injured physically, who dies, or who suffers financial hardship as a result of being injured physically as a direct result of a crime;
(2) ~~A dependent spouse or child of a victim;~~
~~(2.1)~~ For purposes of an award under subsection (k) of Code Section 17-15-8, any member of the immediate family of a victim of homicide by vehicle caused by a violation of Code Section 40-6-391;
(3) Any person who goes to the aid of another and suffers physical injury, serious mental or emotional trauma, or death as a direct result of acting, not recklessly, to prevent the commission of a crime, to apprehend lawfully a person reasonably suspected of having committed a crime, or to aid the victim of a crime or any person who is injured, traumatized, or killed while aiding or attempting to aid a law enforcement officer in the prevention of a crime or apprehension of a criminal at the officer's request;
(4) Any person who is a victim of family violence as defined by Code Section 19-13-1 and anyone who is a victim as a result of a violation of Code Section 40-6-391; or
(5) Any person who is not a direct service provider and who assumes the cost of an eligible expense of a victim regardless of such person's relationship to the victim or whether such person is a dependent of the victim.
(b)(1) Victims may be legal residents or nonresidents of this state. A surviving spouse, parent, or child who is legally dependent for his or her principal support upon a deceased victim ~~is~~ shall be entitled to file a claim under this chapter if the deceased victim would have been so entitled, regardless of the residence or nationality of the surviving spouse, parent, or child.

(2) Victims of crimes occurring within this state who are subject to federal jurisdiction shall be compensated on the same basis as resident victims of ~~crime~~ crimes.

(c) No award of any kind shall be made under this chapter to a victim injured while confined in any federal, state, county, or municipal jail, prison, or other correctional facility.

(d) No award of any kind shall be made under this chapter to a victim of a crime which occurred prior to July 1, 1989.

(e) A person who is criminally responsible for the crime upon which a claim is based or is an accomplice of such person shall not be eligible to receive an award with respect to such claim; provided, however, that such ineligibility shall not apply if the ~~claimant is a victim~~ person is as defined in subparagraph (a)(1)(D) of ~~paragraph (10) of Code Section 17-15-2~~ this Code section.

(f) There shall be no denial of compensation to a ~~victim~~ claimant based on that victim's or claimant's familial relationship with the person who is criminally responsible for the crime.

(g) No award of any kind shall be made under this chapter to a victim of a crime for loss of property.

(h) A victim or claimant who has been convicted of a felony involving criminally injurious conduct and who is currently serving a sentence therefor shall not be considered eligible to receive an award under this chapter. For purposes of this subsection, 'criminally injurious conduct' means ~~an act~~ a crime which occurs or is attempted in this state that results in physical injury, serious mental or emotional trauma, or death to a victim, which act is punishable by fine, imprisonment, or death. Such term shall not include acts arising out of the operation of motor vehicles, boats, or aircraft unless the acts were committed with the intent to inflict injury, trauma, or death or unless the acts committed were in violation of Code Section 40-6-391. For the purposes of this subsection, a person shall be deemed to have committed criminally injurious conduct notwithstanding that by reason of age, insanity, drunkenness, or other reason, he or she was legally incapable of committing a crime.

17-15-8.

(a) No award may be made unless the board or director finds that:

(1) A crime was committed;

(2) The crime directly resulted in the victim's physical injury, serious mental or emotional trauma, or financial hardship as a result of the victim's physical injury, serious mental or emotional trauma, or the victim's death;

(3) Police records, records of an investigating agency, or records created pursuant to a mandatory reporting requirement show that the crime was promptly reported to the proper authorities. In no case may an award be made where the police records, records of an investigating agency, or records created pursuant to a mandatory reporting requirement show that such report was made more than 72 hours after the occurrence of such crime unless the board, for good cause shown, finds the delay to

have been justified and provided, further, that good cause shall be presumed if the ~~claimant is a victim as defined in~~ person is eligible for awards pursuant to this chapter corresponding to subparagraph (a)(1)(D) ~~of paragraph (10)~~ of Code Section ~~17-15-2~~ 17-15-7; and

(4) The applicant has pursued restitution rights against any person who committed the crime unless the board or director determines that such action would not be feasible.

(a.1) The board, upon finding that any claimant or award recipient has not fully cooperated with all law enforcement agencies, may deny, reduce, or withdraw any award.

(b) Any award made pursuant to this chapter ~~may~~ shall be in an amount not exceeding actual expenses, including indebtedness reasonably incurred for medical expenses, loss of wages, funeral expenses, mental health counseling, or support for dependents of a deceased victim necessary as a direct result of the injury or hardship upon which the claim is based.

(c)(1) Notwithstanding any other provisions of this chapter, no award made under the provisions of this chapter shall exceed $1,000.00 in the aggregate; provided, however, that with respect to any claim filed with the board as a result of a crime occurring on or after July 1, 1994, no award made under the provisions of this chapter payable to a ~~victim and to all other claimants~~ claimant sustaining economic loss because of injury to or death of ~~such~~ a victim shall exceed $5,000.00 in the aggregate; provided, further, that with respect to any claim filed with the board as a result of a crime occurring on or after July 1, 1995, no award made under the provisions of this chapter payable to a ~~victim and to all other claimants~~ claimant sustaining economic loss because of injury to or death of ~~such~~ a victim shall exceed $10,000.00 in the aggregate; provided, further, that with respect to any claim filed with the board as a result of a crime occurring on or after July 1, 2002, no award made under the provisions of this chapter payable to a ~~victim and to all other claimants~~ claimant sustaining economic loss because of injury to or death of ~~such~~ a victim shall exceed $25,000.00 in the aggregate; provided, further, that with respect to any claim filed with the board for serious mental or emotional trauma, no award shall be made for a crime occurring before July 1, 2009.

(2) No award under this chapter for the following losses shall exceed the maximum amount authorized:

Category	Maximum Award
Lost wages	$10,000.00
Funeral expenses	3,000.00
Financial hardship or loss of support	10,000.00
Medical	15,000.00

Counseling..... 3,000.00

Crime scene sanitization 1,500.00

(d) In determining the amount of an award, the director and board shall determine whether because of his or her conduct the victim ~~of such crime~~ contributed to the infliction of his or her injury, serious mental or emotional trauma, or financial hardship, and the director and board may reduce the amount of the award or reject the claim altogether in accordance with such determination.

(e) The director and board may reject an application for an award when the claimant has failed to cooperate in the verification of the information contained in the application.

(f) Any award made pursuant to this chapter may be reduced by or set off by the amount of any payments received or to be received as a result of the injury, serious mental or emotional trauma:

(1) From or on behalf of the person who committed the crime; and

(2) From any other private or public source, including an award of workers' compensation pursuant to the laws of this state,

provided that private sources shall not include contributions received from family members or persons or private organizations making charitable donations to a ~~victim~~ claimant.

(g) No award made pursuant to this chapter ~~is~~ shall be subject to garnishment, execution, or attachment other than for expenses resulting from the injury or serious mental or emotional trauma which is the basis for the claim.

(h) An award made pursuant to this chapter shall not constitute a payment which is treated as ordinary income under either the provisions of Chapter 7 of Title 48 or, to the extent lawful, under the United States Internal Revenue Code.

(i) Notwithstanding any other provisions of this chapter to the contrary, no awards from state funds shall be paid to a claimant for a crime which occurred prior to July 1, 1989.

(j) In any case where a crime results in death, the spouse, children, parents, or siblings of such deceased victim may be considered eligible for an award for the cost of psychological counseling which is deemed necessary as a direct result of said criminal incident. The maximum award for said counseling expenses shall not exceed $3,000.00 for each claimant identified in this subsection.

(k)(1) In addition to any other award authorized by this Code section, in any case where a deceased was a victim of homicide by vehicle caused by a violation of Code Section 40-6-391 on any road which is part of the state highway system, upon request of the next of kin of the deceased, an award of compensation in the form of a memorial sign erected by the Department of Transportation as provided by this subsection shall be paid to an eligible claimant.

(2) The provisions of paragraph (4) of subsection (a) of this Code section shall not apply for purposes of eligibility for awards made under this subsection, and the value of any award paid to a claimant under this subsection shall not apply toward or be

subject to any limitation on award amounts paid to any claimant under other provisions of this Code section.

(3) The Department of Transportation, upon receiving payment for the cost of materials and labor from the board, shall upon request of the next of kin of the deceased erect a sign memorializing the deceased on the right of way of such public highway at the location of the accident or as near thereto as safely and reasonably possible and shall maintain such sign for a period of five years from the date the sign is erected unless its earlier removal is requested in writing by the next of kin. Such sign shall be 24 inches wide by 36 inches high and depict a map of the State of Georgia, with a dark blue background and a black outline of the state boundaries. A border of white stars shall be placed on the inside of the state boundaries, and the sign shall contain the words 'In Memory of (name), DUI Victim (date of accident).'

(4) In the event of multiple such claims arising out of a single motor vehicle accident, the names of all deceased victims for whom such claims are made and for whom a request has been made by the next of kin of the deceased may be placed on one such sign or, if necessary, on one such sign and a plaque beneath of the same color as the sign. In the event of multiple claims relating to the same deceased victim, no more than one such sign shall be paid for and erected for such victim.

~~17-15-9.~~

~~Notwithstanding any other provision of this chapter to the contrary, where an award under this chapter has been authorized but there are not sufficient funds in the Georgia Crime Victims Emergency Fund to pay or continue paying the award, then the award or the remaining portion thereof must not be paid unless and until sufficient funds become available from the fund and at such time awards which have not been paid must begin to be paid in chronological order with the oldest award being paid first. In the event an award was to be paid in installments and some remaining installments have not been paid due to a lack of funds, then when funds due become available that award must be paid in full when its appropriate time for payment comes on the chronological list before any other postdated award must be paid. Any award under this chapter is specifically not a claim against the state if it cannot be paid due to a lack of funds in the Georgia Crime Victims Emergency Fund.~~

~~17-15-10.~~ 17-15-9.

(a) There is created a fund to be known as the Georgia Crime Victims Emergency Fund. The custodian of the fund shall be the board. The director shall administer the fund and may invest the resources of the fund in the same manner and fashion that an insurer authorized to issue contracts of life insurance is authorized to invest its resources. The board ~~is~~ shall be specifically authorized to contract with any person or organization, public or private, to administer the fund, assume the powers of the director, and carry out the duties of the board relating to the fund.

(b)(1) The fund shall consist of all moneys received pursuant to Article 7 of Chapter 21 of Title 15 from the assessment of additional penalties in cases involving a

violation of Code Section 40-6-391~~, relating to driving under the influence of alcohol or drugs,~~ or a violation of an ordinance of a political subdivision of this state which has adopted by reference Code Section 40-6-391 pursuant to Article 14 of Chapter 6 of Title 40.

(2) The funds placed in the fund shall also consist of all moneys appropriated by the General Assembly, if any, for the purpose of compensating claimants under this chapter and money recovered on behalf of the state pursuant to this chapter by subrogation or other action, recovered by court order, received from the federal government, received from additional court costs, received from specific tax proceeds allocated to the fund, received from other assessments or fines, or received from any other public or private source pursuant to this chapter.

(c) All funds appropriated to or otherwise paid into the fund shall be presumptively concluded to have been committed to the purpose for which they have been appropriated or paid and shall not lapse.

(d) The board ~~is~~ shall be authorized, subject to the limitations contained in this chapter, to pay the appropriate compensation to the persons eligible for compensation under this chapter from the proceeds of the ~~Georgia Crime Victims Emergency Fund~~ fund.

(e) After determining that an award should be paid and the method of payment, the board or director, within five days, shall be authorized to draw a warrant or warrants upon the ~~Georgia Crime Victims Emergency Fund~~ fund to pay the amount of the award from such fund.

17-15-10.

Notwithstanding any other provision of this chapter to the contrary, where an award under this chapter has been authorized but there are not sufficient funds in the fund to pay or continue paying the award, then the award or the remaining portion thereof shall not be paid unless and until sufficient funds become available from the fund, and at such time, awards which have not been paid shall begin to be paid in chronological order with the oldest award being paid first. In the event an award was to be paid in installments and some remaining installments have not been paid due to a lack of funds, then when funds due become available, that award shall be paid in full when its appropriate time for payment comes on the chronological list before any other postdated award shall be paid. Any award under this chapter is specifically not a claim against the state if it cannot be paid due to a lack of funds in the fund.

17-15-11.

Any person who asserts a false claim under the provisions of this chapter shall be guilty of a misdemeanor and, upon conviction thereof, shall be punished as for a misdemeanor and shall further forfeit any benefit received and shall reimburse and repay the state for payments received or paid on his or her behalf pursuant to any of the provisions of this chapter.

17-15-12.

(a) Acceptance of an award made pursuant to this chapter shall subrogate the state, to the extent of such award, to any right or right of action occurring to the claimant ~~or the victim~~ to recover payments on account of losses resulting from the crime with respect to which the award is made. The board may waive subrogation when the ~~victim or~~ claimant presents documentation and the board verifies that judgment, settlement, or other sources have not fully reimbursed the ~~victim or~~ claimant for expenses compensable under this chapter.

(b) Acceptance of an award made pursuant to this chapter based on damages from a ~~criminal act~~ crime shall constitute an agreement on the part of the recipient reasonably to pursue any and all civil remedies arising from any right of action against the person or persons responsible for or committing the ~~act~~ crime.

17-15-13.

(a) Any award or payment of benefits ~~to, or on behalf of, a victim or eligible family member~~ under this chapter shall create a debt due and owing to the state by any person found in a court of competent jurisdiction of this state to have committed ~~such criminal~~ an act resulting in compensation being paid pursuant to this chapter.

(b) A court, when placing on probation any person who owes a debt to the state as a consequence of a ~~criminal act~~ crime, may set as a condition of probation the payment of the debt or a portion of the debt to the state. The court may also set the schedule or amounts of payments subject to modification based on change of circumstances.

(c) The State Board of Pardons and Paroles shall also have the right to make payment of the debt or a portion of the debt to the state a condition of parole.

(d) When a child is adjudicated for committing a delinquent act in a juvenile court proceeding involving a crime upon which a claim under this chapter can be made, the juvenile court in its discretion may order that the child pay the debt to the state as an adult would have to pay had an adult committed the crime. Any assessments so ordered may be made a condition of probation as provided in Code Section 15-11-601.

(e) Payments authorized or required under this Code section shall be paid into the ~~Georgia Crime Victims Emergency Fund~~ fund. The board shall coordinate the development of policies and procedures for the State Board of Pardons and Paroles and the Administrative Office of the Courts to assure that ~~victim~~ restitution programs are administered in an effective manner to increase payments into the fund.

(f) In every case where an individual is serving under active probation supervision and paying a supervision fee, $9.00 per month shall be added to any supervision fee collected by any entity authorized to collect such fees and shall be paid into the ~~Georgia Crime Victims Emergency Fund~~ fund. This subsection shall apply to probationers supervised under either Code Section 42-8-20 or 42-8-100. The probation supervising entity shall collect and forward the $9.00 fee to the ~~Georgia Crime Victims Compensation Board~~ board by the end of each month.

17-15-14.
The board shall be authorized to designate and expend not more than 10 percent of the moneys collected and paid into the fund pursuant to paragraph (1) of subsection (b) of Code Section ~~17-15-10~~ 17-15-9 and Code Section 17-15-13 to provide funding to victim service providers for the purpose of disseminating materials regarding the availability of the compensation ~~for victims of crime~~ program provided in this chapter and public information purposes regarding the ~~victim~~ compensation program provided in this chapter.

17-15-15.
When a forensic medical examination is conducted, the cost of such forensic medical examination shall be paid for by the fund in an amount not to exceed $1,000.00. The fund shall be responsible for payment of such cost notwithstanding whether the person receiving such forensic medical examination has health insurance or any other source of health care coverage.

17-15-16.
(a) When a forensic interview is conducted and when funding is available, the cost of such interview for a person who is less than 18 years of age or developmentally disabled may be paid for by the fund in an amount to be determined by the board.
(b) The board shall develop standards, protocols, and guidelines related to reimbursement of forensic interview providers.
(c) The board shall establish an annual limit of:
(1) The amount that may be paid from the fund:
(2) The amount that may be reimbursed for each interview; and
(3) The limit on the number of interviews that will be reimbursable from the fund.
(d) Funding may be used only when:
(1) The results of the forensic interview will be for identification of the interviewee's needs, including social services, personal advocacy, case management, substance abuse treatment, and mental health services;
(2) The forensic interviews are conducted in the context of a multidisciplinary investigation and diagnostic team, or in a specialized setting such as a child advocacy center; and
(3) The interviewer is trained to conduct forensic interviews appropriate to the developmental age and abilities of children, or the developmental, cognitive, and physical or communication disabilities presented by adults."

SECTION 2.
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	E Gregory	Y McCall	Y Sims, C
Y Alexander	Y Cooper	Y Hamilton	Y McClain	Y Smith, E
Y Allison	Y Dawkins-Haigler	Y Harbin	Y Meadows	Y Smith, L
Y Anderson	Deffenbaugh	Y Harden	E Mitchell	Y Smith, M
Y Atwood	Y Dempsey	Y Harrell	N Moore	Y Smith, R
Y Ballinger	Y Dickerson	Y Hatchett	Y Morgan	Y Smyre
E Barr	Y Dickey	Y Hawkins	Morris	Spencer
Y Battles	Y Dickson	Henson	Y Mosby	Y Stephens, M
E Beasley-Teague	Y Dollar	Y Hightower	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
Bentley	Y Dudgeon	Y Holmes	Y O'Neal	Y Stover
Y Benton	Y Dukes	Y Holt	Y Pak	Y Strickland
Y Beverly	Y Dunahoo	Y Houston	Y Parrish	Y Talton
Y Black	Y Duncan	Y Howard	Y Parsons	Y Tankersley
Y Braddock	Y Dutton	Y Hugley	Y Peake	Y Tanner
Y Broadrick	Y Efstration	Y Jackson	Y Pezold	Y Tarvin
Y Brockway	Y Ehrhart	Y Jacobs	Y Powell, A	Y Taylor, D
Y Brooks	Y England	Y Jasperse	Y Powell, J	Y Taylor, T
Y Bruce	Y Epps, C	Y Jones, J	Y Prince	Y Teasley
Bryant	Y Epps, J	Y Jones, L	Y Pruett	Y Thomas, A.M.
Y Buckner	Y Evans	Y Jones, S	Y Quick	Y Turner
Y Burns	Y Fleming	Y Jordan	Y Ramsey	Y Waites
Y Caldwell, J	Y Floyd	Y Kaiser	Y Randall	Y Watson, B
Y Caldwell, M	Y Fludd	Y Kelley	Y Rice	Y Watson, S
Y Carson	Y Frazier	Y Kendrick	Y Riley	Y Welch
Y Carter	Y Frye	Y Kidd	Y Roberts	Weldon
Y Casas	Y Fullerton	Y Kirby	Y Rogers, C	Y Wilkerson
Y Chandler	Y Gardner	Y Knight	Y Rogers, T	Y Wilkinson
Y Channell	Y Gasaway	Y Lindsey	Y Rutledge	Y Willard
Y Chapman	Y Geisinger	Y Lumsden	Y Rynders	Y Williams, A
Y Cheokas	Y Glanton	Y Mabra	Y Scott	Y Williams, C
Y Clark, J	Y Golick	Y Marin	Y Setzler	Y Williams, E
Y Clark, V	Y Gordon	Y Martin	Y Sharper	Y Williamson
Y Coleman	Y Gravley	Y Maxwell	Y Shaw	Y Yates
Y Cooke	Y Greene	Y Mayo	Y Sims, B	Ralston, Speaker

On the passage of the Bill, by substitute, the ayes were 167, nays 1.

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

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

Mr. Speaker:

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

HB 549. By Representatives Burns of the 159th, Tankersley of the 160th, Hitchens of the 161st, Parrish of the 158th, Stephens of the 164th and others:

A BILL to be entitled an Act to amend Article 2 of Chapter 5 of Title 12 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to control of water pollution and surface-water use, so as to establish water emergency response procedures; to repeal conflicting laws; and for other purposes.

HB 782. By Representatives Williamson of the 115th, Peake of the 141st, Abrams of the 89th, Shaw of the 176th, Powell of the 32nd and others:

A BILL to be entitled an Act to amend Chapter 2 of Title 48 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to state administration and enforcement of taxation, so as to grant immunity to certain tax liabilities for businesses and employees entering Georgia to repair damage due to a disaster or emergency; to provide for a short title; to provide for definitions; to provide for procedures, conditions, and limitations; to repeal conflicting laws; and for other purposes.

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

SB 274. By Senators Seay of the 34th, Wilkinson of the 50th, Sims of the 12th, Carter of the 42nd, Tolleson of the 20th and others:

A BILL to be entitled an Act to amend Part 2 of Article 4 of Chapter 13 of Title 45 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to the Capitol Arts Standards Commission, so as to provide for the designation of areas within the capitol museum as the Georgia Capitol Agricultural History Museum areas; to provide for related matters; to repeal conflicting laws; and for other purposes.

The following substitute, offered by Representative Harbin of the 122nd, was read and withdrawn:

A BILL TO BE ENTITLED
AN ACT

To amend Title 45 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to public officers and employees, so as to provide that certain boards and commissions shall receive the

same per diem as members of the General Assembly; to provide that daily expense allowances are authorized only if the member of the board or commission is physically present at the meeting of the board or commission; to provide for the designation of areas within the capitol museum as the Georgia Capitol Agricultural History Museum areas; to amend Code Section 50-1-5 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to meetings by teleconference or other similar means, so as to provide that members of boards, bodies, committees, or commissions of state government that participate in meeting by teleconference or other similar means and are not physically present at the meeting of the board, body, committee, or commission shall not be entitled to daily expense allowances for such meeting; to provide for related matters; to repeal conflicting laws; and for other purposes.

BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF GEORGIA:

SECTION 1.

Title 45 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to public officers and employees, is amended by revising subsection (b) of Code Section 45-7-21, relating to expense allowance and travel cost reimbursement for members of certain boards and commissions, and by adding two new subsections to read as follows:

"(b) ~~Whenever~~ With the exception of the State Personnel Board, the State Transportation Board, the Veterans Service Board, the Board of Natural Resources, and the State Board of Education, whenever this Code section or any other law of this state provides that members of any board, commission, or other body shall receive the same daily expense allowance as members of the General Assembly, whether by specific reference to this Code section or any other law or by a more general reference, the members of such board, commission, or other body shall receive a daily expense allowance of $105.00. Such $105.00 amount shall apply for members of such boards, commissions, and other bodies, regardless of whether the amount actually received by members of the General Assembly under Code Section 28-1-8 is more or less than $105.00. The provisions of this subsection shall control over any conflicting provisions of any other earlier enacted law.

(c) The daily expense allowance provided for in subsection (a) of this Code section for members of the State Transportation Board, the Veterans Service Board, the Board of Natural Resources, and the State Board of Education shall be the same daily expense allowance as members of the General Assembly actually receive under Code Section 28-1-8. Members of the State Personnel Board shall also receive the same daily expense allowance as members of the General Assembly actually receive under Code Section 28-1-8.

(d) A member of a board, committee, commission, or other body subject to this Code section who does not physically attend the meeting of the board, committee, commission, or other body but participates in such meeting by telephone conference call, two-way interactive closed circuit television or satellite television signal, or any other similar method which allows each member of the board or body participating in

the meeting to hear and speak to each other member participating in the meeting shall not be eligible to receive the daily expense allowance under this Code section. Daily expense allowances under this Code section shall be allowed only for members who are physically present at meetings of their respective boards, committees, commissions, or other bodies subject to this Code section."

SECTION 2.

Said title is further amended by revising Code Section 45-13-71, relating to duties and responsibilities of the commission, as follows:

"45-13-71.

The Capitol Art Standards Commission shall have the following duties and responsibilities:

(1) To meet at such times and places as it shall determine necessary or convenient to perform its duties. The commission shall also meet on the call of the chairperson or the Governor;

(2) To maintain minutes of its meetings;

(3) To adopt rules and regulations for the transaction of its business;

(4) To organize itself as it deems appropriate to carry out its functions;

(5) To be responsible for developing policies and procedures for and to oversee the acquisition, installation, preservation, maintenance, display, and storage of all capitol artwork. As used in this part, the term 'capitol artwork' means visual art of museum quality owned by the State of Georgia that is displayed in or on the grounds of the capitol or is held for the purpose of future display to include, but not be limited to, portraits, paintings, sculptures, and plaques. The Georgia Capitol Museum shall remain responsible for the documentation, appraisal, control, handling, and conservation of the present and future artwork in the capitol art collection;

(6) To establish a collection policy for all capitol artwork;

(7) To develop standards and procedures for determining whether to acquire new artwork which shall include criteria for judging the relevance of the subject, the historical significance to the State of Georgia, and the quality of the artwork produced and an approval process for such acquisitions. No artwork shall be acquired or installed without final approval of the commission;

(8) To develop a process for the selection, placement, installation, and rotation of capitol artwork in the capitol, in the capitol museum, in the areas of the capitol museum designated as the Georgia Capitol Agricultural History Museum areas, and on the capitol grounds;

(9) To develop policies and procedures for outgoing loans from the capitol art collection and for temporary displays of artwork in the capitol, in the capitol museum, in the areas of the capitol museum designated as the Georgia Capitol Agricultural History Museum areas, and on the capitol grounds;

(10) To develop deaccession policies and procedures for artwork in the capitol art collection that should be removed based upon poor quality or lack of relevance or similar factors; and

(11) To perform such other duties and responsibilities as required by law."

SECTION 3.

Said title is further amended by revising Code Section 45-13-72, relating to the submission of recommendations to achieve highest museum standards, as follows:

"45-13-72.

(a) The Capitol Art Standards Commission may recommend to the Governor and the General Assembly changes in state statutes, policies, budgets, and standards relating to the capitol art collection, with the objective of keeping the collection at the highest museum standards.

(b) The Capitol Art Standards Commission, in cooperation with the Board of Regents of the University System of Georgia and the Commission on the Preservation of the State Capitol, shall designate areas within the capitol museum as the Georgia Capitol Agricultural History Museum areas. Such areas shall include information, artifacts, photographs, monuments, or other related items which tell the history and importance of agriculture to this state's economic growth. Except as provided for in this part, the Georgia Capitol Agricultural History Museum areas of the capitol museum shall be maintained, operated, and managed in the same manner as the other areas of the capitol museum."

SECTION 4.

Said title is further amended by revising Code Section 45-13-73, relating to funding for the capitol museum, as follows:

"45-13-73.

(a) The Capitol Art Standards Commission may accept federal funds granted by Congress or executive order for the purposes of this part as well as gifts and donations from individuals, private organizations, or foundations. The acceptance and use of federal funds shall not commit state funds and shall not place an obligation upon the General Assembly to continue the purposes for which the federal funds are made available.

(b) The Capitol Art Standards Commission may accept gifts and donations from individuals, private organizations, and foundations which have been designated for the purpose of providing for and maintaining capitol artwork for the Georgia Capitol Agricultural History Museum areas. Such designated funds received by the commission shall be maintained in a separate, interest-bearing account and shall not lapse. Such funds shall only be expended on the establishment and maintenance of the Georgia Capitol Agricultural History Museum areas."

SECTION 5.

Code Section 50-1-5 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to meetings by teleconference or other similar means, is amended by adding a new subsection to read as follows:

"(d) A member of a board, body, committee, or commission who does not physically attend the meeting of the board, body, committee, or commission but participates in such meeting by telephone conference call, two-way interactive closed circuit television or satellite television signal, or any other similar method pursuant to this Code section shall not be eligible to receive a daily expense allowance or per diem for such meeting. Daily expense allowances and per diem shall be allowed only for members who are physically present at meetings of their respective boards, bodies, committees, or commissions."

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, was agreed to.

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

Y Abrams	Y Coomer	N Gregory	Y McCall	Sims, C
Y Alexander	Y Cooper	Y Hamilton	Y McClain	Y Smith, E
Y Allison	Y Dawkins-Haigler	Y Harbin	Y Meadows	Y Smith, L
Y Anderson	Y Deffenbaugh	Y Harden	E Mitchell	Y Smith, M
Y Atwood	Y Dempsey	Y Harrell	N Moore	Y Smith, R
Y Ballinger	Y Dickerson	Y Hatchett	Y Morgan	Y Smyre
E Barr	Y Dickey	Y Hawkins	Y Morris	Spencer
Y Battles	Y Dickson	Henson	Y Mosby	Y Stephens, M
E Beasley-Teague	Y Dollar	Y Hightower	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 Stover
Y Benton	Y Dukes	Y Holt	Y Pak	Y Strickland
Y Beverly	Y Dunahoo	Y Houston	Y Parrish	Y Talton
Y Black	Y Duncan	Y Howard	Y Parsons	Y Tankersley
Y Braddock	Y Dutton	Y Hugley	Y Peake	Y Tanner
Y Broadrick	Y Efstration	Y Jackson	Y Pezold	Y Tarvin
Y Brockway	Y Ehrhart	E Jacobs	Y Powell, A	Y Taylor, D
Y Brooks	Y England	Y Jasperse	Y Powell, J	Y Taylor, T
Y Bruce	Y Epps, C	Y Jones, J	Y Prince	Y Teasley
Y Bryant	Y Epps, J	Y Jones, L	Y Pruett	Y Thomas, A.M.
Y Buckner	Y Evans	Y Jones, S	Y Quick	Y Turner
Y Burns	Y Fleming	Y Jordan	Y Ramsey	Y Waites
Y Caldwell, J	Y Floyd	Y Kaiser	Y Randall	Y Watson, B
Y Caldwell, M	Y Fludd	Y Kelley	Y Rice	Y Watson, S
Y Carson	Y Frazier	Kendrick	Y Riley	Y Welch
Y Carter	Y Frye	Y Kidd	Y Roberts	Weldon
Y Casas	Y Fullerton	Y Kirby	Y Rogers, C	Y Wilkerson
Y Chandler	Y Gardner	Knight	Y Rogers, T	Y Wilkinson
Y Channell	Y Gasaway	Y Lindsey	Y Rutledge	Y Willard
Y Chapman	Y Geisinger	Y Lumsden	Y Rynders	Y Williams, A
Y Cheokas	Y Glanton	Y Mabra	Y Scott	Y Williams, C
Y Clark, J	Y Golick	Y Marin	Y Setzler	Williams, E
Y Clark, V	Y Gordon	Y Martin	Y Sharper	Y Williamson

Y Coleman	Y Gravley	Y Maxwell	Y Shaw	Y Yates
Y Cooke	Y Greene	Y Mayo	Y Sims, B	Ralston, Speaker

On the passage of the Bill, the ayes were 166, nays 2.

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

House of Representatives
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Mr. Bill Reilly

I wish to vote yea on SB 274

Thanks,

/s/ Coach Williams
District 87

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

Mr. Speaker:

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

HB 788. By Representatives Riley of the 50th, Ramsey of the 72nd, Abrams of the 89th, Smyre of the 135th, Williams of the 119th and others:

A BILL to be entitled an Act to amend Chapter 5 of Title 48 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to ad valorem taxation of property, so as to provide for an ad valorem tax exemption for property owned by the University System of Georgia that is operated by a third party; to provide that such arrangements shall not constitute special franchises; to provide for a state-wide referendum; to provide for an effective date; to provide for automatic repeal under certain circumstances; to repeal conflicting laws; and for other purposes.

HB 899. By Representatives Cooper of the 43rd, Houston of the 170th, Lindsey of the 54th, Kelley of the 16th, Rynders of the 152nd and others:

A BILL to be entitled an Act to amend Code Section 31-7-12.1 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to unlicensed personal care homes, so as to provide for criminal penalties for owning or operating an unlicensed personal care home; to provide for related matters; to repeal conflicting laws; and for other purposes.

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

SB 283. By Senators Dugan of the 30th, Mullis of the 53rd, Harper of the 7th, Millar of the 40th, Hufstetler of the 52nd and others:

A BILL to be entitled an Act to amend Part 2 of Article 6 of Chapter 2 of Title 20 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to competencies and core curriculum, so as to authorize school systems to provide instruction on the history of traditional winter celebrations; to provide for displays; to provide for limitations; to provide for related matters; to repeal conflicting laws; and for other purposes.

The following amendment was read:

Representative Dudgeon of the 25th offers the following amendment:

Amend SB 283 (SB 283/CSFA/2) by inserting after "limitations;" *on line 4 the following:*
to amend Chapter 2 of Title 20 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to elementary and secondary education, so as to update and clarify provisions in law and to repeal obsolete provisions; to repeal a population act provision; to revise provisions relating to state required content standards; to remove the middle grades program; to revise provisions relating to contracts by the State School Superintendent; to revise a process for student requests for waivers and variances of state requirements; to revise provisions relating to state required assessments; to revise provisions relating to the honors program; to revise provisions relating to courses taken through the Georgia Virtual School; to revise provisions relating to virtual instruction opportunities provided by local school systems; to repeal an obsolete provision relating to acquiring digital learning; to revise a provision relating to home study reporting; to revise provisions relating to nonrenewal of a teacher's contract; to revise provisions relating to health insurance for public school teachers and employees; to revise provisions relating to appeals to the State Board of Education; to provide for charter authorizer accountability; to provide for an expedited charter petition review process for high-performing charter schools; to provide for timelines for approving or denying charter petitions; to revise provisions relating to funding for a charter school in its first year of operation; to provide for use by charter schools of unused school facilities; to provide for enrollment preferences for charter schools; to revise provisions relating to funding for state charter

schools; to authorize the State Charter Schools Commission to establish nonprofit foundations;

By inserting between lines 6 and 7 the following:

PART I

By inserting between lines 22 and 23 the following:

PART II

SECTION 1.

Chapter 2 of Title 20 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to elementary and secondary education, is amended by repealing subsection (d) of Code Section 20-2-51, relating to election of local board of education members, persons ineligible to be members or superintendent, ineligibility for local boards of education, and ineligibility for other elective offices, and designating said subsection as reserved.

SECTION 2.

Said chapter is further amended by revising paragraph (1) of Code Section 20-2-131, relating to objectives and purposes of the Quality Basic Education Program, as follows:

"(1) Implementing a ~~quality basic education~~ highly rigorous curriculum to encompass content standards in public schools state wide which ensures that each student is provided ample opportunity to develop competencies necessary for lifelong learning as well as the competencies needed to maintain good physical and mental health, to participate actively in the governing process and community activities, to protect the environment and conserve public and private resources, and to be an effective worker and responsible citizen of high character;"

SECTION 3.

Said chapter is further amended by revising Code Section 20-2-140, relating to the State Board of Education establishing competencies and a uniformly sequenced core curriculum and college and career readiness competency standards, as follows:

"20-2-140.

(a) The State Board of Education shall establish ~~competencies~~ uniformly sequenced content standards that each student is expected to master prior to completion of the student's public school education. ~~The state board shall also establish competencies for which each student should be provided opportunities, at the discretion of the student and the student's parents, to master. Based upon these foregoing competencies, the~~ The state board shall adopt ~~a uniformly sequenced core curriculum~~ content standards for ~~grades~~ students in kindergarten through grade 12. Each local unit of administration ~~shall include this uniformly sequenced core curriculum as the basis for its own curriculum, although each local unit may sequence, expand, and enrich this curriculum~~ may expand and enrich the content standards to the extent it deems necessary and

appropriate for its students and communities. Each local school system shall adopt its own curriculum which shall include appropriate instruction in the content standards.

(b) The State Board of Education, working with the Board of Regents of the University System of Georgia and the State Board of the Technical College System of Georgia, shall establish college and career readiness ~~competency~~ standards to demonstrate competency in reading, writing, and mathematics aligned with the ~~core curriculum~~ content standards adopted by the state board pursuant to subsection (a) of this Code section with the level of performance necessary to meet college-readiness standards in the state's technical colleges, community colleges, state colleges, and universities and in other advanced training programs.

(c) The State Board of the Technical College System of Georgia shall require its institutions to accept core ~~curriculum~~ coursework completed by high school students for purposes of admission into its institutions. ~~This Code section shall apply beginning with students entering such postsecondary institutions in the fall of 2013.~~"

SECTION 4.

Said chapter is further amended by revising Code Section 20-2-140.1, relating to online learning, as follows:

"20-2-140.1.

The State Board of Education shall establish rules and regulations to maximize the number of students, beginning with students entering ninth grade in the 2014-2015 school year, who complete prior to graduation at least one course containing online learning. This shall be met through an online course offered by the Georgia Virtual School established pursuant to Code Section 20-2-319.1, through the clearing-house established pursuant to Code Section 20-2-319.3, through an online dual enrollment course offered by a postsecondary institution, or through a provider ~~approved~~ pursuant to ~~subsection (c) of~~ Code Section 20-2-319.4. This shall also include enrollment in a full-time or part-time virtual instruction program pursuant to Code Section 20-2-319.4."

SECTION 5.

Reserved.

SECTION 6.

Said chapter is further amended by revising subsection (a) of Code Section 20-2-142, relating to prescribed courses, as follows:

"(a)(1) All elementary and secondary schools which receive in any manner funds from the state shall provide the following course offerings in the manner and at the grade level prescribed by the State Board of Education ~~in its quality core curriculum~~:

(A) A course of study in the background, history, and development of the federal and state governments and a study of Georgia county and municipal governments; and

(B) A course of study in the history of the United States and in the history of Georgia and in the essentials of the United States and Georgia Constitutions,

including the study of American institutions and ideals which shall include a study of the Pledge of Allegiance to the flag of the United States and the Georgia flag in addition to other institutions and ideals.

(2) No student shall be eligible to receive a diploma from a high school unless such student has successfully completed the courses in history and government provided for by this subsection, except as provided in paragraphs (3) and (4) of this subsection. For students moving to Georgia and unable to take the course or courses available to fulfill these requirements in the grade level in which such course or courses are ordinarily offered, the State Board of Education may develop alternative methods, which may include but shall not be limited to an on-line course of study, for such students to learn about and demonstrate an adequate understanding of federal or Georgia history and government.

(3) Disabled students who are otherwise eligible for a special education diploma pursuant to subsection (c) of Code Section 20-2-281 shall not be denied this diploma if they have not successfully completed either or both of these courses; provided, however, that their Individualized Education Programs have not specified that the disabled students must enroll in and successfully complete both of these courses.

(4) The State Board of Education shall promulgate rules and regulations governing the required course of study in the history of Georgia and in the essentials of the Georgia Constitution for students who transfer from another state after having completed the year in which such course or courses are ordinarily offered. The State Board of Education is authorized to provide for exemptions to the required course of study for such students and for students whose parent or parents serve in the armed forces of the United States."

SECTION 7.

Said chapter is further amended by revising subsection (a) and paragraph (2) of subsection (b) of Code Section 20-2-151, relating to general and career education programs, as follows:

"(a) The primary purpose for the general and career education programs is to provide the children and youth of Georgia with a quality opportunity to master ~~student competencies~~ uniformly sequenced content standards adopted by the State Board of Education ~~through instruction which is based upon the uniformly sequenced core curriculum~~."

"(2) It is the policy of this state that the purpose of the primary grades program shall be mastery by enrolled students of the essential basic skills and knowledge which will enable them to achieve more advanced skills and knowledge offered at the higher grade levels. For purposes of funding under this article, the primary grades program shall include grades one, two, and three. To be eligible for enrollment in the first grade of a state supported primary grades program, a child must attain the age of six by September 1, except as otherwise provided by subsection (b) of Code Section 20-2-150. The State Board of Education shall adopt an instrument or instruments, procedures, and policies necessary to assess the first grade readiness of children

enrolled in Georgia's public school kindergarten programs pursuant to Code Section 20-2-281. Readiness information obtained by the instrument or instruments adopted by the state board shall be used by local school systems in concert with teacher recommendations and other relevant information to make appropriate student grade placement decisions. The Department of Education shall develop guidelines for utilization of the instrument or instruments in grade placement decisions and shall provide such guidelines to local school systems. The guidelines shall include information pertinent to consideration of the placement of students who have been identified as being disabled or limited-English-proficient. Whenever the decision is made not to promote a child to the first grade, the local school system shall document the reasons for the decision not to promote, according to guidelines established by the board. The State School Superintendent ~~shall~~ may annually provide a report summarizing the results of the readiness of first grade Georgia public school kindergarten children. No student shall remain in kindergarten for more than two years;"

SECTION 8.

Said chapter is further amended by revising subsections (a) and (h) of Code Section 20-2-154.1, relating to alternative education programs, as follows:

"(a) It is the policy of this state that the alternative education program shall provide a learning environment that includes the objectives of the ~~quality core curriculum~~ content standards and that the instruction in an alternative education program shall enable students to return to a general or career education program as quickly as possible. Course credit shall be earned in an alternative education program in the same manner as in other education programs. It is the policy of this state that it is preferable to reassign disruptive students to an alternative education program rather than suspending or expelling such students from school."

"(h) ~~For the 2000-2001 and 2001-2002 school years, state funding of alternative education programs shall be based upon a full-time equivalent program count that equals 2.5 percent of the sum of the full-time equivalent program count of the middle grades program, the middle school program as defined in Code Section 20-2-290, the high school general education program (grades nine through 12), and the career, technical, and agricultural education laboratory program (grades nine through 12). For the 2002-2003 school year and thereafter, the~~ The amount of state funds appropriated and allocated for the alternative education program provided for in this Code section shall be based on the actual count of students served during the preceding year, except that the count of students served shall not exceed 2.5 percent of the sum of the full-time equivalent program count of the ~~middle grades program, the~~ middle school program ~~as defined in Code Section 20-2-290~~, the high school general education program (grades nine through 12), and the career, technical, and agricultural education laboratory program (grades nine through 12). Funds earned may be expended in kindergarten and in grades one through 12."

SECTION 9.

Said chapter is further amended by revising Code Section 20-2-159.1, relating to focused programs of study, as follows:

"20-2-159.1.

No later than July 1, 2013, the Department of Education shall develop, and the State Board of Education shall approve, state models and ~~curriculum framework~~ content standards for the following focused programs of study, as defined in Code Section 20-2-326, including, but not limited to:

(1) Agriculture, food, and natural resources;
(2) Architecture and construction;
(3) Arts, audio-video technology, and communications;
(4) Business, management, and administration;
(5) Education and training;
(6) Finance;
(7) Health science;
(8) Hospitality and tourism;
(9) Human services;
(10) Information technology;
(11) Law, public safety, and security;
(12) Manufacturing;
(13) Government and public administration;
(14) Marketing, sales, and service;
(15) Science, technology, engineering, and mathematics; and
(16) Transportation, distribution, and logistics.

Such focused programs of study may be combined around these and other related clusters."

SECTION 10.

Said chapter is further amended by revising paragraph (1) of Code Section 20-2-159.2, relating to coordination between high schools and postsecondary institutions to minimize the need for remedial course work for students in postsecondary institutions, as follows:

"(1) Develop policies to ensure that students who ~~complete the core curriculum~~ master the content standards established pursuant to Code Section 20-2-140 will meet the requirements for purposes of admission into a postsecondary institution, such as grade point average and readiness levels in reading, writing, and mathematics, without having to take remedial coursework. Such policies shall:

(A) Establish the benchmarks for college readiness and the method in which students can demonstrate readiness in reading, writing, and mathematics for postsecondary coursework upon completing the ~~core curriculum~~ content standards; and

(B) Set the conditions for ensuring college readiness;"

SECTION 11.

Said chapter is further amended by revising subsection (a) of Code Section 20-2-159.3, relating to academic core standards to be embedded in career, technical, and agricultural education courses, as follows:

"(a) The ~~competencies and curricula~~ content standards established for career, technical, and agricultural education courses pursuant to Code Section 20-2-140 shall include embedded standards in academic core subject areas, as appropriate. In establishing such ~~competencies and curricula~~ content standards, the state board shall work to ensure that the coursework meets postsecondary requirements for acceptance of credit for such coursework at the postsecondary level. Such courses shall be taught by a highly qualified teacher in the academic content and trained or experienced in contextualized learning using project based methods; by a highly qualified career, technical, and agricultural education teacher who has completed a state-approved training program to strengthen academic content and has passed a state-approved exam for demonstrating mastery of academic content; or by a team made up of a highly qualified teacher in the academic content and a highly qualified career, technical, and agricultural education teacher working together to teach the course."

SECTION 12.

Said chapter is further amended by revising subsection (a) of Code Section 20-2-160, relating to determination of enrollment by institutional programs, as follows:

"(a) The State Board of Education shall designate the specific dates upon which two counts of students enrolled in each instructional program authorized under this article shall be made each school year and by which the counts shall be reported to the Department of Education. The initial enrollment count shall be made after October 1 but prior to November 17 and the final enrollment count after March 1 but prior to May 1. The report shall indicate the student's specific assigned program for each one-sixth segment of the school day on the designated reporting date. No program shall be indicated for a student for any one-sixth segment of the school day that the student is assigned to a study hall; a noncredit course; a course recognized under this article or by state board policy as an enrichment course, except a driver education course; a course which requires participation in an extracurricular activity for which enrollment is on a competitive basis; a course in which the student serves as a student assistant to a teacher, in a school office, or in the media center, except when such placement is an approved work site of a recognized career, technical, and agricultural education laboratory program; an individual study course for which no outline of course objectives is prepared in writing prior to the beginning of the course; or any other course or activity so designated by the state board. For the purpose of this Code section, the term 'enrichment course' means a course which does not dedicate a major portion of the class time toward the development and enhancement of one or more ~~student competencies~~ content standards as adopted by the state board under Code Section 20-2-140. A program shall not be indicated for a student for any one-sixth segment of the school day for which the student is not enrolled in an instructional

program or has not attended a class or classes within the preceding ten days; nor shall a program be indicated for a student for any one-sixth segment of the school day for which the student is charged tuition or fees or is required to provide materials or equipment beyond those authorized pursuant to Code Section 20-2-133. A student who is enrolled in a dual credit course pursuant to Code Section 20-2-159.5 shall be counted for the high school program or other appropriate program for each segment in which the student is attending such dual credit course. The state board shall adopt such regulations and criteria as necessary to ensure objective and true counts of students in state approved instructional programs. The state board shall also establish criteria by which students shall be counted as resident or nonresident students, including specific circumstances which may include, but not be limited to, students attending another local school system under court order or under the terms of a contract between two local school systems. If a local school system has a justifiable reason, it may seek authority from the state board to shift full-time equivalent program counts from the designated date to a requested alternate date."

SECTION 13.

Said chapter is further amended by revising subsections (b) and (b.1) of Code Section 20-2-161, relating to the Quality Basic Education Formula, as follows:

"(b) As the cost of instructional programs varies depending upon the teacher-student ratios and specific services typically required to address the special needs of students enrolled, state authorized instructional programs shall have the following program weights and teacher-student ratios:

(1) Kindergarten program ..... 1.6508 weight and 1 to 15 ratio

(2) Kindergarten early intervention program ..... 2.0348 weight and 1 to 11 ratio

(3) Primary grades program (1-3) ..... 1.2849 weight and 1 to 17 ratio

(4) Primary grades early intervention program (1-3)..... 1.7931 weight and 1 to 11 ratio

(5) Upper elementary grades program (4-5) ..... 1.0355 weight and 1 to 23 ratio

(6) Upper elementary grades early intervention program (4-5)..... 1.7867 weight and 1 to 11 ratio

~~(7) Middle grades program (6-8) ..... 1.0186 weight and 1 to 23 ratio~~

~~(8)~~(7) Middle school program (6-8) ~~as defined in Code Section 20-2-290~~ ... 1.1310 weight and 1 to 20 ratio

~~(9)~~(8) High school general education program (9-12) ..... 1.0000 weight and 1 to 23 ratio

~~(10)~~(9) Career, technical, and agricultural education laboratory program (9-12)..... 1.1916 weight and 1 to 20 ratio

~~(11)~~(10) Program for persons with disabilities:
Category I..... 2.3798
weight and
1 to 8
ratio

(12)(11) Program for persons with disabilities:
Category II 2.7883
weight and
1 to 6.5
ratio

~~(13)~~(12) Program for persons with disabilities:
Category III 3.5493
weight and
1 to 5
ratio

~~(14)~~(13) Program for persons with disabilities:
Category IV 5.7509
weight and
1 to 3
ratio

~~(15)~~(14) Program for persons with disabilities:
Category V 2.4511
weight and
1 to 8
ratio

~~(16)~~(15) Program for intellectually gifted students:
Category VI..... 1.6589
weight and
1 to 12
ratio

~~(17)~~(16) Remedial education program ..... 1.3087 weight and 1 to 15 ratio

~~(18)~~(17) Alternative education program ..... 1.4711 weight and 1 to 15 ratio

~~(19)~~(18) English for speakers of other languages (ESOL) program ..... 2.5049 weight and 1 to 7 ratio

~~(b.1) Notwithstanding the provisions of subsection (b) of this Code section and the requirements of Code Section 20-2-290, beginning July 1, 2014, a nonvirtual middle school shall have the funding weight included in paragraph (8) of subsection (b) of this Code section for the middle school program, regardless of whether such middle school meets the requirements of Code Section 20-2-290.~~"

SECTION 14.

Said chapter is further amended by revising Code Section 20-2-181, relating to calculation of program weights to reflect base school size, as follows:

"20-2-181.

The calculation of all program weights shall reflect a base size local school system of 3,300 full-time equivalent students. The calculation of program weights for the kindergarten program, the kindergarten early intervention program, the primary grades (1-3) early intervention program, the primary grades (1-3) program, the upper elementary grades (4-5) early intervention program, and the upper elementary grades (4-5) program shall reflect a base school size of 450 full-time equivalent students. The calculation of program weights for the ~~middle grades (6-8) program, the~~ middle school (6-8) program, the special education programs, the remedial education program, and the English for speakers of other languages program shall reflect a base school size of 624 full-time equivalent students. The calculation of ~~the~~ program weights for the high school general education program and the high school career, technical, and agricultural education laboratory program shall reflect a base school size of 970 full-time equivalent students. The calculation of program weights for the alternative education program shall reflect a base school size of 100 full-time equivalent students, except that the calculations for secretaries and media personnel shall reflect a base school size of 624 full-time equivalent students."

SECTION 15.

Said chapter is further amended by revising subsections (b) and (c) and paragraph (1) of subsection (i) of Code Section 20-2-182, relating to program weights to reflect funds for payment of salaries and benefits, as follows:

"(b) The program weights for the primary, primary grades early intervention, upper elementary, upper elementary grades early intervention, ~~middle grades,~~ and middle school programs, when multiplied by the base amount, shall reflect sufficient funds to pay at least the beginning salaries of specialists qualified to teach art, music, foreign language, and physical education, subject to appropriation by the General Assembly.

(c) The program weights for the kindergarten, kindergarten early intervention, primary, primary grades early intervention, upper elementary, upper elementary grades early intervention, ~~middle grades,~~ middle school, and alternative education programs and the program weights for the high school programs authorized pursuant to paragraph (4) of subsection (b) of Code Section 20-2-151, when multiplied by the base amount, shall reflect sufficient funds to pay the beginning salaries for at least one school counselor for every 450 full-time equivalent students. Beginning in Fiscal Year 2015 and thereafter, the program weights for the English for speakers of other languages program and the programs for persons with disabilities shall also earn school counselor funding. Further, beginning in Fiscal Year 2016 and thereafter, the program weights for the program for intellectually gifted students and the remedial education program shall also earn school counselor funding. The duties and responsibilities for such school counselors shall be established by the state board to require a minimum of five of the six full-time equivalent program count segments of the counselor's time to be spent counseling or advising students or parents."

"(i)(1) It is the intent of this paragraph to provide a clear expectation to parents and guardians as to the maximum number of students that may be in their child's classroom in kindergarten through eighth grade. Beginning with the 2006-2007 school year, for the following regular education programs, the maximum individual class size for mathematics, science, social studies, and language arts classes shall be:

(A) Kindergarten program (without full-time aide)	18
(B) Kindergarten program (with full-time aide)	20
(C) Primary grades program (1-3)	21
(D) Upper elementary grades program (4-5)	28
(E) Middle ~~grades program (6-8) and middle~~ school program (6-8) ~~as defined in Code Section 20-2-290~~	28

For school years 2010-2011, 2011-2012, 2012-2013, 2013-2014, and 2014-2015 only, the system average maximum class size for each instructional program covered under this paragraph shall be the same as the maximum individual class size for each such program, and local boards of education shall be considered in compliance with this paragraph so long as the system average maximum class size is not exceeded;

provided, however, that if the State Board of Education approves a blanket waiver or variance pursuant to subsection (h) of Code Section 20-2-244, such maximum individual class sizes shall be the system average maximum class sizes for purposes of this paragraph."

SECTION 16.

Said chapter is further amended by revising subsection (a) of Code Section 20-2-184.1, relating to funding for additional days of instruction, as follows:

"(a) The program weights for the kindergarten, kindergarten early intervention, primary, primary grades early intervention, upper elementary, upper elementary grades early intervention, ~~middle grades,~~ middle school, and remedial programs and the program weights for the high school programs authorized pursuant to paragraph (4) of subsection (b) of Code Section 20-2-151, when multiplied by the base amount, shall reflect sufficient funds to pay the beginning salaries for instructors needed to provide 20 additional days of instruction for 10 percent of the full-time equivalent count of the respective program. Such funds shall be used for addressing the academic needs of low-performing students with programs including, but not limited to, instructional opportunities for students beyond the regular school day, Saturday classes, intersession classes, summer school classes, and additional instructional programs during the regular school day. Following the midterm adjustment, the state board shall issue allotment sheets for each local school system. Each local school system shall spend 100 percent of the funds designated for additional days of instruction for such costs at the system level, which may include transportation costs incurred for transporting students who are attending additional classes funded by these designated funds."

SECTION 17.

Said chapter is further amended by revising subsection (a) of Code Section 20-2-190, relating to professional development centered on state-wide strategic initiatives, as follows:

"(a) Subject to appropriations by the General Assembly, the State Board of Education shall provide professional development centered on state-wide strategic initiatives. Such strategic initiatives may include, but are not limited to, training on ~~the new common core curriculum~~ content standards, support for under-performing educators, and mentoring programs in specific subject areas."

SECTION 18.

Reserved.

SECTION 19.

Reserved.

SECTION 20.

Said chapter is further amended by revising subsection (c) of Code Section 20-2-241, relating to the State School Superintendent, as follows:

"(c) The State School Superintendent shall have the authority to enter into contracts for the amount of $50,000.00 or less on behalf of the Department of Education. The State School Superintendent may delegate to the chief financial officer the authority to execute such contracts on behalf of the State School Superintendent."

SECTION 21.

Said chapter is further amended by revising paragraph (1) of Code Section 20-2-242, relating to local school systems, local units of administration, and local governing bodies, as follows:

"(1) The instructional programs authorized pursuant to Part 3 of this article and the uniformly sequenced ~~core curriculum~~ content standards authorized pursuant to Part 2 of this article are fully and effectively implemented;"

SECTION 22.

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

"20-2-244.1.

(a) As used in this Code section, the term:

(1) 'Student' means a student who is or was enrolled in a public school in this state.

(2) 'Substantial hardship' means a significant, unique, and demonstrable economic, technological, legal, or other type of hardship to the student requesting a variance or waiver.

(3) 'Variance' means a modification granted by the State Board of Education to all or part of the literal requirements of a rule to a person who is subject to the rule.

(4) 'Waiver' means a decision by the State Board of Education not to apply all or part of a rule to a person who is subject to the rule.

(b) Except as provided in subsection (f) of this Code section, the State Board of Education is authorized to grant a variance or waiver to a rule when a student subject to that rule demonstrates that the purpose of the underlying statute upon which the rule is based can be or has been achieved by other specific means which are agreeable to the person seeking the variance or waiver and that strict application of the rule would create a substantial hardship to such person.

(c) Except as provided in subsection (f) of this Code section, a student who is subject to regulation by a State Board of Education rule may file a petition with the state board requesting a variance or waiver from the state board's rule. In addition to any other requirements which may be imposed by the state board, each petition shall specify:

(1) The rule from which a variance or waiver is requested;

(2) The type of action requested;

(3) The specific facts of substantial hardship which would justify a variance or waiver for the petitioner, including the alternative standards which the person seeking

the variance or waiver agrees to meet and a showing that such alternative standards will afford adequate protection for the public health, safety, and welfare; and

(4) The reason why the variance or waiver requested would serve the purpose of the underlying statute.

(d) The state board shall grant or deny a petition for variance or waiver in writing no later than 60 days after the receipt of the petition. The state board's decision to grant or deny the petition shall be in writing and shall contain a statement of the relevant facts and the reasons supporting the state board's action.

(e) The state board's decision to deny a petition for variance or waiver shall be subject to judicial review in accordance with Code Section 50-13-19. The validity of any variance or waiver which is granted by the state board may be determined in an action for declaratory judgment in accordance with Code Section 50-13-10.

(f) This Code section shall not apply, and no variance or waiver shall be sought or authorized, when a state board rule or regulation has been adopted or promulgated in order to implement or promote a federally delegated program.

(g) An aggregated report of all waivers granted pursuant to this Code section shall be prepared and shall contain a description of the waiver granted, including a detail of the variance from any rule or regulation, but shall not include any identifying information of the student.

(h) The State Board of Education shall not be subject to Code Section 50-13-9.1 with respect to petitions for variances or waivers of rules by students."

SECTION 23.

Reserved.

SECTION 24.

Said chapter is further amended by revising paragraph (3) of subsection (a) of Code Section 20-2-270.1, relating to services to member local school systems by regional educational service agencies, as follows:

"(3) Developing and implementing curricula and instruction of the highest quality possible, including implementing the uniformly sequenced ~~core curriculum~~ content standards adopted by the state board;"

SECTION 25.

Said chapter is further amended by revising Code Section 20-2-281, relating to assessment of effectiveness of educational programs, as follows:

"20-2-281.

(a) The State Board of Education shall adopt a student assessment program consisting of instruments, procedures, and policies necessary to implement the program and shall fund all costs of providing and scoring such instruments, subject to appropriation by the General Assembly. Each local school system may elect to administer, with state funding, nationally norm-referenced instruments in reading, mathematics, science, or social studies in grade three, four, or five and in grade six, seven, or eight, subject to

available appropriations, with assistance to such school systems by the State Board of Education with regard to administration guidance, scoring, and reporting of such assessments. The State Board of Education shall review, revise, and upgrade the ~~quality core curriculum~~ content standards. Following the adoption of ~~this revised curriculum~~ such content standards, the State Board of Education shall contract for development of ~~criterion referenced competency~~ state criterion based tests to measure the ~~quality core curriculum~~ content standards. Such tests in English, ~~and~~ language arts/reading, and~~,~~ mathematics~~, and reading~~ shall be administered annually to students in grades ~~three~~ one through eight and such tests in science and social studies shall be administered annually to students in grades three through eight. These tests shall contain features that allow for comparability to other states with whom establishing such comparison would be statistically sound; provided, however, that no such comparison shall be conducted which would relinquish any measure of control over assessments to any individual or entity outside the state. This action shall be completed according to a schedule established by the State Board of Education. ~~A curriculum based assessment shall be administered in grade 11 for graduation purposes.~~ Writing assessments shall be administered to students in grades three, five, eight, and 11 and may be administered in additional grade levels as designated by the State Board of Education. The results of such writing assessments shall ~~provide~~ be provided to students and their parents ~~with performance outcome measures resulting~~ from the administration of such tests.

(b) The nationally normed assessments provided for in subsection (a) of this Code section shall provide students and their parents with grade equivalencies and percentile ranks which result from the administration of such tests. ~~Criterion referenced~~ State criterion based tests ~~and the high school graduation test~~ provided for in subsection (a) of this Code section shall provide for results that reflect student achievement at the individual student, classroom, school, system, ~~and~~ state, and national levels. The State Board of Education shall participate in the National Assessment of Educational Progress (NAEP) and may participate in any other tests that will allow benchmarking this state's performance against national or international performance. The results of such testing shall be provided to the Governor, the General Assembly, and the State Board of Education and shall be reported to the citizens of Georgia. Further, the state board shall adopt a school readiness assessment for students entering first grade and shall administer such assessment pursuant to paragraph (2) of subsection (b) of Code Section 20-2-151. One of the components in the awarding of salary supplements as part of a pay for performance or related plan under this article may be assessments of student achievement.

(b.1) The State Board of Education shall notify local school systems and individual schools of the results of the assessment instruments administered under this Code section at the earliest possible date determined by the state board, but not later than the beginning of the subsequent school year. In the event the state board is unable to provide timely results in the first year of implementation of a substantially new

assessment instrument, the provisions in paragraphs (2) and (3) of subsection (b) of Code Section 20-2-283 shall not apply.

(c) The State Board of Education shall have the authority to condition the awarding of a high school diploma to a student upon achievement of satisfactory scores on instruments or tests adopted and administered by the state board pursuant to ~~subsection~~ subsections (a) and (f) of this Code section. The state board is authorized and directed to adopt regulations providing that any disabled child, as defined by the provisions of this article, shall be afforded opportunities to take any test adopted by the state board as a condition for the awarding of a high school diploma. Said regulations shall further provide for appropriate accommodations in the administration of such test. Said regulations shall further provide for the awarding of a special education diploma to any disabled student who is lawfully assigned to a special education program and who does not achieve a passing score on said test or who has not completed all of the requirements for a high school diploma but who has nevertheless completed his or her Individualized Education Program.

(d)(1) The State Board of Education shall develop or adopt alternate assessments to be administered to ~~each student receiving special education services pursuant to Code Section 20-2-152 who does not receive instruction in the essential knowledge and skills identified in the quality core curriculum developed pursuant to Code Section 20-2-140~~ those students with significant cognitive disabilities, receiving special education services pursuant to Code Section 20-2-152, who cannot access the state adopted content standards without appropriate accommodations to those standards and for whom the assessment instruments adopted under ~~subsection~~ subsections (a) and (f) of this Code section, even with allowable ~~modifications~~ accommodations, would not provide an appropriate measure of student achievement, as determined by the student's Individualized Education Program team. ~~A student's Individualized Education Program may serve as an alternate assessment for that student.~~

(2) A student's Individualized Education Program team shall determine appropriate participation in assessment and identify necessary accommodations in accordance with the federal Individuals with Disabilities Education Act and state board regulations.

(e) The State Board of Education is authorized to adopt rules, regulations, policies, and procedures regarding accommodations and the participation of limited-English-proficient students, as defined in Code Section 20-2-156, in the assessments described in this Code section.

(f) The State Board of Education shall adopt end-of-course assessments for students in grades nine through 12 for all core subjects to be determined by the state board. For those students with an Individualized Education Program, the student's Individualized Education Program team shall determine appropriate participation in assessments and identify necessary accommodations in accordance with the federal Individuals with Disabilities Education Act and state board regulations.

(g) Under rules adopted by the State Board of Education, the Department of Education shall, subject to appropriations by the General Assembly, release some or all of the

questions and answers to each ~~criterion-referenced competency~~ state criterion based test administered under subsection (a) of this Code section and each end-of-course assessment administered under subsection (e) of this Code section after the last time the instrument is administered for a school year.

(h) The State Board of Education, through the Department of Education, shall administer the end-of-course assessments for core subject areas as defined by state board policy. The state board shall promulgate a schedule for the development and administration of all end-of-course tests. By the 2015-2016 school year, the State Board of Education shall make all end-of-course assessments available online and shall establish rules and regulations to maximize the number of students and school systems utilizing such online assessments.

(i) The Department of Education shall develop study guides for the ~~criterion-referenced~~ state criterion based tests and end-of-course assessments administered pursuant to subsections (a) and (f) of this Code section. Each school system shall distribute the study guides to students who do not perform satisfactorily on one or more parts of an assessment instrument administered under this Code section and to the parents or guardians of such students.

(j)(1) The high school graduation test provided for in subsection (a) of this Code section shall continue in effect until all high school core subject end-of-course assessments have been developed and implemented, at which time the state board shall discontinue the test according to a schedule to be determined by the state board.

(2) The State Board of Education shall adopt rules and regulations requiring the results of core subject end-of-course assessments to be included as a factor in a student's final grade in the core subject course for which the end-of-course assessment is given.

(k)~~(1)~~ In addition to the assessment instruments adopted by the State Board of Education and administered by the Department of Education, a local school system may adopt and administer criterion-referenced or norm-referenced assessment instruments, or both, at any grade level. Such locally adopted assessment instruments may not replace the state's adopted assessment instruments for purposes of state accountability programs, except as otherwise provided in paragraph (2) of this subsection. A local school system shall be responsible for all costs and expenses incurred for locally adopted assessment instruments. Students with Individualized Education Programs must be included in the locally adopted assessments or provided an alternate assessment in accordance with the federal Individuals with Disabilities Education Act.

~~(2) The State Board of Education shall have the authority to grant waivers until Fiscal Year 2003 to local boards of education exempting said boards from the administration of the state criterion-referenced competency tests at any or all of the subject areas and grade levels for which the local board of education implements a locally developed criterion-referenced competency test or tests based on the Quality Core Curriculum which increases the expectations for student achievement beyond that of the applicable state criterion-referenced competency test or tests and meets all other~~

~~requirements of this Code section, including reliability and validity requirements, with the exception of subsection (g) of this Code section. Local boards of education with such waivers shall submit to the State Board of Education school and local school system score reports of the locally developed criterion-referenced competency tests.~~

(l) In adopting academic skills assessment instruments under this Code section, the State Board of Education or local school system shall ensure the security of the instruments in their preparation, administration, and scoring. Notwithstanding any other provision of law, meetings or portions of meetings held by the state board or a local board of education at which individual assessment instruments or assessment instrument items are discussed or adopted shall not be open to the public, and the assessment instruments or assessment instrument items shall be confidential.

(m) The results of individual student performance on academic skills assessment instruments administered under this Code section shall be confidential and may be released only in accordance with the federal Family Educational Rights and Privacy Act of 1974, 20 U.S.C. Section 1232g.

(n) Overall student performance data shall be disaggregated by ethnicity, sex, socioeconomic status, disability, language proficiency, grade level, subject area, school, system, and other categories determined by policies established by the Office of Student Achievement.

(o) Student performance data shall be made available to the public, with appropriate interpretations, by the State Board of Education, the Office of Student Achievement, and local school system. The information made available to the public shall not contain the names of individual students or teachers.

(p) Teachers in grades one through 12 shall be offered the opportunity to participate annually in a staff development program on the use of tests within the instructional program designed to improve students' academic achievement. This program shall instruct teachers on curriculum alignment related to tests, disaggregated student test data to identify student academic weaknesses by subtests, and other appropriate applications as determined by the State Board of Education.

(q) The State Board of Education shall consider the passage by a student of an industry certification examination or a state licensure examination which is approved by the State Board of Education <u>or a COMPASS score approved by the State Board of Education</u> when considering whether to grant such student a variance ~~for~~ <u>or a waiver of</u> one or more portions of the high school graduation test required by the State Board of Education pursuant to subsection (a) of this Code section in order to obtain a Georgia high school diploma; provided, however, that the state board shall not grant a variance to a student unless the student has attempted and failed to pass the relevant portion of the high school graduation test at least four times."

SECTION 26.

Said chapter is further amended by revising Code Section 20-2-290, relating to organization of schools, middle school programs, and schedule, as follows:

"20-2-290.

(a)~~(1)~~ The board of education of any local school system is authorized to organize or reorganize the schools and fix the grade levels to be taught at each school in its jurisdiction. ~~Schools which house grades six, seven, or eight, or any combination thereof, shall qualify for the middle school program for students; provided, however, that such schools also meet all other provisions of this Code section and criteria and standards prescribed by the State Board of Education. Further, two or more adjacent local school systems shall qualify for the middle school program if through their contractual arrangement they jointly meet the requirements of this Code section and the criteria and standards prescribed by the state board.~~

~~(2)~~(b) The board of education of any local school system shall be authorized to employ school administrative managers in lieu of or in addition to assistant principals. Such school administrative managers shall not be required to be certificated by the Professional Standards Commission but shall have such qualifications as determined by the local board with a minimum requirement of a bachelor's degree or satisfactory business experience. The duties of school administrative managers shall be to oversee and manage the financial and business affairs of the school. The principal shall retain authority over the curriculum and instructional areas. The school administrative manager shall report directly to the principal. In the event that a local board considers hiring or utilizing school administrative managers pursuant to this subsection, it shall receive and give all due consideration to recommendations by the school council as to whether or not to utilize such position and as to selection of the manager. Existing employees of the local board shall be eligible to serve as school administrative managers if they meet other qualifications and requirements established by the local board for such position. For purposes of earning funds for such positions, school administrative managers shall be treated in all respects the same as assistant principals.

~~(b) Local boards of education shall schedule each middle school so as to provide the following:~~

~~(1) A minimum of five hours of instruction in English and language arts, reading, mathematics, science, social studies, and such other academic subjects as the State Board of Education shall prescribe;~~

~~(2) Beyond the minimum of five hours of academic instruction, the local board shall have the authority to schedule for the remainder of the day such academic or exploratory classes as the State Board of Education shall prescribe; provided, however, that a student shall be allowed to take additional academic classes instead of exploratory classes if the parent or guardian of such a student requests such assignment, subject to availability; and~~

~~(3) An interdisciplinary team of academic teachers with common planning time of a minimum of 55 minutes.~~

~~(c) Local school systems shall comply with subsection (b) of this Code section in order to qualify for the middle school program.~~

~~(d) If a local school system has a combination of qualified and nonqualified schools, it shall qualify for the middle school program only for those students counted in the full-time equivalent count for the middle school program in qualified middle schools.~~"

SECTION 27.

Said chapter is further amended by revising subsection (a) of Code Section 20-2-306, relating to honors program and residential high school program, as follows:

"(a) The ~~State Board of Education~~ Office of Student Achievement is authorized to ~~inaugurate~~ continue and administer an honors program for students in the public and private high schools of this state and for resident students who attend a home ~~school~~ study program who have manifested exceptional abilities or unique potentials or who have made exceptional academic achievements. This program shall be conducted during summer months between normal school year terms at institutions of higher learning or other appropriate centers within this state with facilities adequate to provide challenging opportunities for advanced study and accomplishments by such students. The student honors program shall be implemented and operated in accordance with criteria established by the ~~state board~~ Office of Student Achievement, and operating costs shall be paid by the ~~state board~~ Office of Student Achievement from funds made available for this purpose by the General Assembly. The ~~state board~~ Office of Student Achievement is authorized to enter into cooperative agreements with the Board of Regents of the University System of Georgia for operating and sharing the costs of such programs."

SECTION 28.

Said chapter is further amended by revising Code Section 20-2-314, relating to development of rape prevention, personal safety education, and teen dating violence prevention program, as follows:

"20-2-314.

The State Board of Education shall develop, with input from appropriate experts, such as rape crisis centers and family violence shelters, a rape prevention and personal safety education program and a program for preventing teen dating violence for grade eight through grade 12 which are consistent with the ~~core curriculum~~ content standards provided for in Code Section 20-2-140. Local boards may implement such programs at any time and for any grade level local boards find appropriate, and the state board shall encourage the implementation of such programs. In addition, the state board shall make information regarding such programs available to the Board of Regents of the University System of Georgia."

SECTION 29.

Said chapter is further amended by revising subsection (j) of Code Section 20-2-315, relating to the prohibition of gender discrimination, as follows:

"(j) The Department of Education ~~shall~~ may publish an annual report of local school systems to include information regarding expenditures and participation rates for each gender and such other information as the state board and department deem relevant."

SECTION 30.

Said chapter is further amended by revising Code Section 20-2-319.1, relating to the Georgia Virtual School, as follows:

"20-2-319.1.

(a) The State Board of Education is authorized to establish the Georgia Virtual School whereby students may enroll in ~~state funded~~ courses via the Internet or in any other manner not involving on-site interaction with a teacher. Any Georgia student who is age 21 or younger shall be eligible to enroll in the Georgia Virtual School~~, at no cost to the student~~. The State Board of Education is authorized to promulgate rules and regulations pertaining to the Georgia Virtual School. Such rules and regulations, if established, shall include, at a minimum, a process for students to enroll in Georgia Virtual School courses and a process whereby a student's grade in the course is reported on the student's transcript. All teachers who provide instruction through the Georgia Virtual School shall be certified by the Professional Standards Commission. A local school system shall not prohibit any student from taking a course through the Georgia Virtual School, regardless of whether the school in which the student is enrolled offers the same course.

(b)(1) The department is authorized to establish a Georgia Virtual School grant account with funds appropriated by the General Assembly. The department shall use funds from ~~this~~ such grant account to pay for costs associated with the Georgia Virtual School incurred by the department, including, but not limited to, actual costs associated with the maintenance of the Georgia Virtual School, such as new course development, credit recovery, blended learning training, and operating a ~~clearinghouse~~ clearing-house, and costs for tuition, materials, and fees for courses taken through the Georgia Virtual School by students in home study programs or private schools in this state.

(2) The local school system shall pay to the department costs for tuition, materials, and fees directly related to the approved course taken by a student in its school system through the Georgia Virtual School; provided, however, that in no event shall the amount of tuition charged to and paid by the local school system on behalf of such student exceed $250.00 per student per semester course; and provided, further, that if a student participates in courses through the Georgia Virtual School that are in excess of the maximum number of courses a student may be enrolled in during a school day, such student shall be subject to the cost of tuition not to exceed $250.00 per student per semester course.

(3) Students in home study programs and private schools in this state may enroll in courses through the Georgia Virtual School at no cost, if appropriations are provided for such purpose in accordance with paragraph (1) of this subsection. If appropriations are not provided or if appropriations are provided but have been

expended for such purpose, students in home study programs and private schools in this state may enroll in courses through the Georgia Virtual School based on availability of slots; provided, however, that such students shall be subject to the cost of tuition not to exceed $250.00 per student per semester course.

(c) The Georgia Virtual School shall not be considered a school for purposes of Article 2 of Chapter 14 of this title."

SECTION 31.

Said chapter is further amended by revising paragraph (2) of subsection (b) of Code Section 20-2-319.3, relating to the online clearing-house of interactive distance learning courses, as follows:

"(2) 'Clearing-house' means the clearing-house established pursuant to subsection ~~(b)~~(c) of this Code section."

SECTION 32.

Said chapter is further amended by revising Code Section 20-2-319.4, relating to virtual instruction programs, notice of opportunities, mechanisms for compliance, approved providers, approval status, and curriculum plan, as follows:

"20-2-319.4.

(a) Beginning with the 2013-2014 school year, each local school system shall provide opportunities to all students in grades three through 12 enrolled in public schools within its boundaries for participation in part-time and full-time virtual instruction program options. Written notice of such opportunities, including an open enrollment period for full-time students of at least 90 days and not ending earlier than 30 days prior to the first day of the school year, shall be provided directly to parents of all students. The purpose of the program shall be to make quality virtual instruction available to students using online and distance learning technology in the nontraditional classroom. The program shall provide at least three options for:

(1) Full-time virtual instruction for students enrolled in grades three through 12; and

(2) Part-time virtual instruction for students enrolled in grades three through 12.

A virtual instruction program conducted by a local school system shall include specific ~~provision~~ provisions for at least two full-time options and one part-time option for students enrolled in dropout prevention and academic intervention programs or Department of Juvenile Justice education programs under Code Section 20-2-133.

(b) To provide students with the option of participating in virtual instruction programs as required by subsection (a) of this Code section, a local school system may apply one or all of the following mechanisms:

(1) Facilitate enrollment in the Georgia Virtual School established pursuant to Code Section 20-2-319.1;

(2) Facilitate enrollment in one or more courses pursuant to the clearing-house established pursuant to Code Section 20-2-319.3;

~~(2)~~(3) Enter into a contract with ~~an approved~~ a provider ~~under subsection (c) of this Code section~~ for the provision of a full-time program under paragraph (1) of

subsection (a) of this Code section or a part-time program under paragraph (2) of subsection (a) of this Code section; or

~~(3)~~(4) Enter into an agreement with another local school system or systems to allow the participation of its students in an approved virtual instruction program provided by such other local school system or systems. The agreement shall indicate a process for the transfer of funds.

Contracts and agreements entered into pursuant to paragraph ~~(2)~~(3) or ~~(3)~~(4) of this subsection may include multidistrict contractual arrangements that may be executed by a regional educational service agency for its member school systems.

~~(c) The department shall annually provide local school systems with a list of providers approved to offer virtual instruction programs. To be approved by the department, a provider shall document that it:~~

~~(1) Possesses prior, successful experience offering online courses to elementary, middle, or high school students, as demonstrated through quantified student performance improvements for each subject area and grade level provided for consideration as instructional program options;~~

~~(2) Assures instructional and curricular quality through a detailed curriculum and student performance accountability plan that addresses every subject and grade level intended for provision within local school system contracts, including:~~

~~(A) Courses and programs that meet the nationally recognized standards for K-12 online learning;~~

~~(B) Instructional content and services that align with and measure student attainment of proficiency in the state-approved curriculum; and~~

~~(C) Mechanisms that determine and ensure that a student has satisfied requirements for grade level promotion and high school graduation with a standard diploma, as appropriate; and~~

~~(3) Publishes, in accordance with disclosure requirements adopted by the State Board of Education, for the general public, as part of its application as a provider, and in all contracts negotiated pursuant to this Code section:~~

~~(A) Information and data about each full-time and part-time program regarding its curriculum;~~

~~(B) School policies and procedures;~~

~~(C) Certification status of all administrative and instructional personnel;~~

~~(D) Teacher-student ratios;~~

~~(E) Student completion and promotion rates; and~~

~~(F) Student, educator, and school performance accountability outcomes.~~

~~(d) An approved provider shall retain its approved status for a period of five years after the date of the department's approval pursuant to subsection (c) of this Code section as long as the provider continues to comply with all requirements of this Code section; provided, however, that each provider approved by the department for the 2013-2014 school year shall reapply for approval to provide a part-time program for students in grades three through 12.~~

~~(e)~~(c) Each contract entered into pursuant to paragraph (3) of subsection (b) of this Code section with ~~an approved~~ a provider shall at a minimum set forth a detailed curriculum plan that illustrates how students will be provided services for, and be measured for attainment of, proficiency in state ~~curriculum~~ requirements for content standards for each grade level and subject."

SECTION 33.

Said chapter is further amended by repealing Code Section 20-2-319.5, relating to report on assisting local boards of education in acquiring digital learning, and designating said Code section as reserved.

SECTION 34.

Said chapter is further amended by revising paragraph (5) of Code Section 20-2-326, relating to definitions relative to the "Building Resourceful Individuals to Develop Georgia's Economy Act," as follows:

"(5) 'Focused program of study' means a rigorous academic core combined with a focus in mathematics and science; a focus in humanities, fine arts, and foreign language; or a coherent sequence of career pathway courses that is aligned with graduation requirements established by the State Board of Education and ~~curriculum requirements~~ content standards established pursuant to Part 2 of this article that prepares a student for postsecondary education or immediate employment after high school graduation."

SECTION 35.

Said chapter is further amended by revising paragraph (1) of Code Section 20-2-329, relating to requirements for high schools that receive a reform grant, as follows:

"(1) Provide focused programs of study which are designed to provide a well-rounded education for students by fostering artistic creativity, critical thinking, and self-discipline through the teaching of academic content, knowledge, and skills that students will use in the workplace, further education, and life. The focused programs of study, whether provided at a choice technical high school, a college and career academy, a traditional high school, or on site at a technical school or college or a public college or university, shall be aligned with graduation requirements established by the State Board of Education and ~~curriculum requirements~~ content standards established pursuant to Part 2 of this article, including, at a minimum, four years of mathematics, Algebra I and higher, and four years of English, with an emphasis on developing reading and writing skills to meet college and career readiness standards;"

SECTION 36.

Said chapter is further amended by revising subsection (c) of Code Section 20-2-690, relating to educational entities and requirements for private schools and home study programs, as follows:

"(c) Parents or guardians may teach their children at home in a home study program which meets the following requirements:

(1) The parent, parents, or guardian must submit within 30 days after the establishment of a home study program and by September 1 annually thereafter a declaration of intent to utilize a home study program to the Department of Education, which shall provide for written or electronic submittal of such declaration of intent;

(2) The declaration shall include a list of the names and ages of the students who are enrolled in the home study program, the address where the home study program is located, the local school system in which the home study program is located, and a statement of the 12 month period that is to be considered the school year for that home study program. Enrollment records and reports shall not be used for any purpose except providing necessary enrollment information, except with the permission of the parent or guardian of a child, or pursuant to the subpoena of a court of competent jurisdiction;

(3) Parents or guardians may teach only their own children in the home study program, provided the teaching parent or guardian possesses at least a high school diploma or a general educational development diploma, but the parents or guardians may employ a tutor who holds a high school diploma or a general educational development diploma to teach such children;

(4) The home study program shall provide a basic academic educational program which includes, but is not limited to, reading, language arts, mathematics, social studies, and science;

(5) The home study program must provide instruction each 12 months to home study students equivalent to 180 school days of education with each school day consisting of at least four and one-half school hours unless the child is physically unable to comply with the rule provided for in this paragraph;

(6) The parent or guardian shall have the authority to execute any document required by law, rule, regulation, or policy to evidence the enrollment of a child in a home study program, the student's full-time or part-time status, the student's grades, or any other required educational information. This shall include, but not be limited to, documents for purposes of verification of attendance by the Department of Driver Services, for the purposes set forth in subsection (a.1) of Code Section 40-5-22, documents required pursuant to Chapter 2 of Title 39 relating to employment of minors, and any documents required to apply for the receipt of state or federal public assistance;

(7) Students in home study programs shall be subject to an appropriate nationally standardized testing program administered in consultation with a person trained in the administration and interpretation of norm reference tests to evaluate their educational progress at least every three years beginning at the end of the third grade and records of such tests and scores shall be retained but shall not be required to be submitted to public educational authorities; and

(8) The home study program instructor shall write an annual progress assessment report which shall include the instructor's individualized assessment of the student's

academic progress in each of the subject areas specified in paragraph (4) of this subsection, and such progress reports shall be retained by the parent, parents, or guardian of children in the home study program for a period of at least three years."

SECTION 37.

Said chapter is further amended by revising subsection (b) of Code Section 20-2-892, relating to contributions by employees, state, and local employers and withholding or deducting employees' contributions for health insurance for public school teachers, as follows:

"(b) As the local employer's share, the local employer shall contribute to the health insurance fund such portion of the cost of such benefits as may be established by the Governor and the board and, in addition thereto, an amount to be established by the board to defray the cost of administration. The board shall determine whether such portion shall be determined based upon a percentage of the total outlay for the salaries of teachers employed by the local employer or determined on an amount per employee electing coverage under the plan based on the coverage elected, in accordance with the appropriation of funds. If a local employer fails to remit the employer's share as calculated by the commissioner, as provided in this Code section, it shall be the duty of the commissioner to notify the State Board of Education of such failure and it shall be the duty of the State Board of Education to, with reasonable promptness, withhold from the employer which has failed to comply ~~all appropriations allotted to such employer until such employer has fully complied with the provisions of this Code section by making remittance of the sums required~~ sufficient state funds as calculated by the commissioner to fully satisfy the outstanding obligation of the local employer to the health insurance fund. Such withheld funds shall be promptly transmitted by the state board to the Department of Community Health."

SECTION 38.

Said chapter is further amended by revising subsection (b) of Code Section 20-2-920, relating to withholding or deducting employees' contributions for health insurance for public school employees, as follows:

"(b) The Department of Education and local school systems shall contribute to the health insurance fund such portion of the costs of such benefits as may be established by the board to maintain the employee contributions consistent with other health insurance plans administered by the board. In the event that the commissioner shall determine that a local employer has failed to contribute the full amount of such portion, as calculated by the commissioner, it shall be the duty of the commissioner to notify the State Board of Education of such failure and it shall be the duty of the State Board of Education to, with reasonable promptness, withhold from the employer which has failed to comply ~~all appropriations allotted to such employer until such employer has fully complied with the provisions of this Code section by making remittance of the sums required~~ sufficient state funds as calculated by the commissioner to fully satisfy the outstanding obligation of the local employer to the health insurance fund. Such

withheld funds shall be promptly transmitted by the state board to the Department of Community Health."

SECTION 39.

Said chapter is further amended by revising subsection (b) of Code Section 20-2-942, relating to procedure for nonrenewal after acceptance by teacher of school year contract for fourth consecutive school year, as follows:

"(b)(1) A teacher who accepts a school year contract for the fourth consecutive school year from the same local board of education may be demoted or the teacher's contract may not be renewed only for those reasons set forth in subsection (a) of Code Section 20-2-940.

(2) In order to demote or fail to renew the contract of a teacher who accepts a school year contract for the fourth or subsequent consecutive school year from the same local board of education, the teacher must be given written notice of the intention to demote or not renew the contract of the teacher. Such notice shall be given by certified mail or statutory overnight delivery as provided in subsection (c) of Code Section 20-2-940. Such notice shall contain a conspicuous statement in substantially the following form:

> You have the right to certain procedural safeguards before you can be demoted or dismissed. These safeguards include the right to notice of the reasons for the action against you and the right to a hearing. If you desire these rights you must send to the school superintendent by certified mail or statutory overnight delivery a statement that you wish to have a hearing; and such statement must be mailed to the school superintendent within 20 days after this notice was mailed to you. Your rights are governed by subsection (b) of Code Section 20-2-211, Code Section 20-2-940, and Code Sections 20-2-942 through 20-2-947, and a copy of this law is enclosed.

A copy of subsection (b) of Code Section 20-2-211, Code Section 20-2-940, this Code section, and Code Sections 20-2-943 through 20-2-947 shall be enclosed with the notice. A teacher who is so notified that he or she is to be demoted or that his or her contract will not be renewed has the right to the procedures set forth in subsections (b) through (f) of Code Section 20-2-940 before the intended action is taken. A teacher who has the right to these procedures must serve written notice on the superintendent of the local board employing the teacher within 20 days of the day the notice of the intended action is served that he or she requests a hearing. In order to be effective, such written notice that the teacher requests implementation of such procedures must be served by certified mail or statutory overnight delivery as provided in subsection (c) of Code Section 20-2-940. Within 14 days of service of the request to implement the procedures, the local board must furnish the teacher a notice that complies with the requirements of subsection (b) of Code Section 20-2-940.

(3) A teacher is deemed to have accepted a fourth consecutive school year contract if, while the teacher is serving under the third consecutive school year contract, the local board does not serve notice on the teacher by ~~April 15~~ May 15 that it intends not to

renew the teacher's contract for the ensuing school year, and the teacher does not serve notice in writing on the local board of education by ~~May 1~~ June 1 of the third consecutive school year that he or she does not accept the fourth consecutive school year contract.

(4) A teacher who has satisfied the conditions set forth in paragraph (1) of this subsection who is subsequently employed by another local board of education and who accepts a second consecutive school year contract from the local board at which the teacher is subsequently employed may be demoted or the teacher's contract may not be renewed only for those reasons set forth in subsection (a) of Code Section 20-2-940. The provisions set forth in paragraph (2) of this subsection shall likewise apply to such a teacher.

(5) A teacher is deemed to have accepted a second consecutive school year contract if, while the teacher is serving under the first school year contract, the local board does not serve notice on the teacher by ~~April 15~~ May 15 that it intends not to renew the teacher's contract for the ensuing school year, and the teacher does not serve notice in writing on the local board of education by ~~May 1~~ June 1 of the first school year that he or she does not accept the second consecutive school year contract.

(6) Local boards shall make contract offers available to teachers for a minimum ten-day review period. A teacher accepts the contract by signing and returning it any time during the ten-day period.

(7)(A) Professional certificated personnel employed by a county or independent local school system that becomes consolidated with or merged into another county or independent local school system as provided in Article 8 of this chapter or otherwise shall retain their employment, except as provided in subparagraph (B) of this paragraph, in the newly created, or surviving, school system. Said professional certificated personnel shall retain and carry over all the rights already accrued and earned in the professional certificated personnel's prior school system and as set forth in this paragraph.

(B) Any reductions in staff due to loss of students or cancellation of programs in the newly created, or surviving, school system necessitated by the consolidation or merger shall be made first in preference of retaining professional certificated personnel on the basis of uniformly applied criteria set forth in local school board policies of the newly created, or surviving, school system."

SECTION 40.

Said chapter is further amended by revising subsection (b) of Code Section 20-2-1160, relating to local board tribunals to determine school law controversies, appeals, and special provisions for disabled children, as follows:

"(b) Any party aggrieved by a decision of the local board rendered on a contested issue after a hearing shall have the right to appeal therefrom to the State Board of Education. The appeal shall be in writing and shall distinctly set forth the question in dispute, the decision of the local board, and a concise statement of the reasons why the decision is complained of; and the party taking the appeal shall also file with the appeal a transcript

of testimony certified as true and correct by the local school superintendent. The appeal shall be filed with the superintendent within 30 days of the decision of the local board, and within ten days thereafter it shall be the duty of the superintendent to transmit a copy of the appeal together with the transcript of evidence and proceedings, the decision of the local board, and other matters in the file relating to the appeal to the state board. The state board shall adopt regulations governing the procedure for hearings before the local board and proceedings before it. The state board may affirm, reverse, or remand the local board decision or may refer the matter to mediation."

SECTION 41.

Said chapter is further amended by adding a new paragraph to Code Section 20-2-2062, relating to definitions, to read as follows:

"(1.2) 'Charter authorizer' or 'authorizer' means the State Board of Education, the State Charter Schools Commission, or a local board of education in this state authorized to approve or deny charter petitions pursuant to this article or Article 31A."

SECTION 42.

Said chapter is further amended by adding new subsections to Code Section 20-2-2063, relating to charter petitions, to read as follows:

"(e) The State Board of Education shall establish rules, regulations, policies, and procedures to provide a separate and expedited petition process for high-performing charter schools to replicate, renew, or expand their school design. Such rules, regulations, policies, and procedures shall require the charter school replication, renewal, or expansion petition to contain evidence of academic success for the school design that the charter school petitioner intends to replicate, renew, or expand, along with proof that the petitioner has the financial and human resources necessary to replicate, renew or expand the design successfully.

(f) The state board shall establish annual application deadlines of May 1 and November 1 for charter petitioners to submit charter petitions to a local board of education and concurrently to the state board."

SECTION 42A.

Said chapter is further amended by revising Code Section 20-2-2064, relating to approval or denial of petitions, as follows:

"20-2-2064.

(a) A charter petitioner seeking to create a conversion charter school must submit a petition to the local board of the local school system in which the proposed charter school will be located and concurrently to the state board. The local board must by a majority vote approve or deny a petition no later than 90 days after its submission unless the petitioner requests an extension; provided, however, that a denial of a petition by a local board shall not preclude the submission to the local board of a revised petition that addresses deficiencies cited in the denial; and provided, further,

that the local board shall not act upon a petition for a conversion charter school, including, but not limited to, a conversion charter for a high school cluster, until such petition:

(1)(A) Has been freely agreed to, by secret ballot, by a majority of the faculty and instructional staff members of the petitioning local school at a public meeting called with two weeks' advance notice for the purpose of deciding whether to submit the petition to the local board for its approval; and

(B) Has been freely agreed to, by secret ballot, by a majority of the parents or guardians of students enrolled in the petitioning local school present at a public meeting called with two weeks' advance notice for the purpose of deciding whether to submit the petition to the local board for its approval; or

(2) If for a high school cluster, has been approved by a majority of the school councils in the high school cluster and has been freely agreed to, by secret ballot, by at least 60 percent of the combined vote of the faculty and instructional staff members of the high school cluster and the parents or guardians of students who reside in the attendance zone of such high school cluster present at a public meeting called with two weeks' advance notice for the purpose of deciding whether to submit the petition to the local board for its approval. Each school council within the high school cluster shall appoint two representatives to a committee that shall conduct the vote.

This subsection shall not apply to a system charter school petitioning to be a conversion charter school.

(b) A charter petitioner seeking to create a start-up charter school must submit a petition to the local board of the local school system in which the proposed charter school will be located and concurrently to the state board. The local board must by a majority vote approve or deny a petition no later than 90 days after its submission unless the petitioner requests an extension. A denial of a petition by a local board shall not preclude the submission to the local board of a revised petition that addresses deficiencies cited in the denial.

(c) A system charter school's school council or governing council, as applicable, may petition to become a conversion charter school. The petition shall be submitted to the local board of the charter system in which the school is located and concurrently to the state board. The local board must by a majority vote approve or deny a petition no later than 90 days after its submission unless the petitioner requests an extension; provided, however, that a denial of a petition by a local board shall not preclude the submission to the local board and concurrently to the state board of a revised petition that addresses deficiencies cited in the denial.

(d) A local board shall approve a petition that complies with the rules, regulations, policies, and procedures promulgated in accordance with Code Section 20-2-2063 and the provisions of this title and is in the public interest. If a local board denies a petition, it must within 60 days of such denial specifically state the reasons for the denial, list all deficiencies with respect to Code Section 20-2-2063, and provide a written statement of the denial to the charter petitioner and the state board.

(e) The state board or the Charter Advisory Committee, if directed by the state board to do so, may mediate between the local board and a charter petitioner whose petition was denied to assist in resolving issues which led to denial of the petition by the local board."

SECTION 42B.

Said chapter is further amended by revising Code Section 20-2-2064.1, relating to review of charter by state board and charters for state chartered special schools, as follows:

"20-2-2064.1.

(a) Prior to approval or denial of a charter petition under this Code section, the state board shall receive and give all due consideration to the recommendation and input from the Charter Advisory Committee established in Code Section 20-2-2063.1.

(b) The state board shall approve the charter of a charter petitioner if the petition has been approved by the local board of the local school system in which the proposed charter school will be located and the state board finds, after receiving input from the Charter Advisory Committee, that the petition complies with the rules, regulations, policies, and procedures promulgated in accordance with Code Section 20-2-2063 and the provisions of this title and is in the public interest. The state board shall approve or deny a petition that has been approved by such local board no later than 210 days after such petition was originally submitted to the local board and concurrently to the state board pursuant to Code Section 20-2-2064. If the state board denies a petition, it must within 60 days of such denial specifically state the reasons for the denial, list all deficiencies with regard to Code Section 20-2-2063, and provide a written statement of the denial to the charter petitioner and to the local board. If the state board approves a petition, the charter shall be executed by the state board, local board, and charter petitioner no later than 240 days after such petition was originally submitted to the local board and concurrently to the state board pursuant to Code Section 20-2-2064.

(c) No application for a state chartered special school may be made to the state board by a petitioner for a conversion charter school that has been denied by a local board. Upon denial of a petition for a start-up charter school by a local board and upon application to the state board by the petitioner, the state board shall approve the charter of a start-up charter petitioner for a state chartered special school if the state board finds, after receiving input from the Charter Advisory Committee, that such petition meets the requirements set forth in Code Section 20-2-2063 and the provisions of this title, and is in the public interest. The state board shall approve or deny a petition for a state chartered special school no later than 210 days after such petition was originally submitted to the local board and concurrently to the state board pursuant to Code Section 20-2-2064. If the state board approves a petition, the charter for a state chartered special school shall be executed by the state board and the charter petitioner no later than 240 days after such petition was originally submitted to the local board and concurrently to the state board pursuant to Code Section 20-2-2064."

SECTION 43.

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

"20-2-2064.2.

(a) The General Assembly finds that:

(1) A quality charter authorizer engages in responsible oversight of charter schools by ensuring that schools have both the autonomy to which they are entitled and the public accountability for which they are responsible; and

(2) Charter authorizers should be guided by the following three core principles of charter authorizing:

(A) Maintain high standards for charter schools;

(B) Uphold charter school autonomy; and

(C) Protect student and public interests.

(b) To solicit, encourage, and guide the development of quality charter school petitions, the State Board of Education shall establish rules, regulations, policies, and procedures requiring every charter authorizer that oversees a charter school or that has received a charter petition to develop and annually publish a policy statement based on national best practices.

(c) A charter authorizer's petition review process shall include thorough evaluation of each written charter petition, an in-person interview with the petitioner, and an opportunity in a public meeting for local residents or other interested persons to provide comment; provided, however, that if a charter petition has serious defects as determined by the charter authorizer, the charter authorizer shall not be required to conduct the interview or hold the public meeting until such time as the defects are resolved.

(d) An authorizer shall monitor the performance and legal compliance of the charter schools it oversees, including collecting and analyzing data to support ongoing evaluation according to the charter. Every authorizer shall have the authority to conduct or require oversight activities that enable the authorizer to fulfill its responsibilities, including conducting appropriate inquiries and investigations, so long as those activities adhere to the terms of the charter and do not unduly inhibit the autonomy granted to charter schools.

(e) In the event that a charter school's performance or legal compliance appears unsatisfactory, the authorizer shall promptly notify the charter school in writing of the perceived problem and provide reasonable opportunity for the charter school to remedy the problem, unless the problem warrants termination in which case provisions of Code Section 20-2-2068 or 20-2-2083 and the terms of the charter apply.

(f) The state board shall identify the charter authorizers that fail to satisfy the requirements of subsections (b) through (e) of this Code section, along with relevant information on the charter authorizer's charter school portfolio, in its annual report to the General Assembly pursuant to Code Section 20-2-2070."

SECTION 44.

Said chapter is further amended by revising Code Section 20-2-2066, relating to admission, enrollment, and withdrawal of students, as follows:

"20-2-2066.

(a) A local charter school shall enroll students in the following manner:

(1)(A) A start-up charter school shall enroll any student who resides in the charter attendance zone as specified in the charter and who submits a timely application as specified in the charter unless the number of applications exceeds the capacity of a program, class, grade level, or building. In such case, all such applicants shall have an equal chance of being admitted through a random selection process unless otherwise prohibited by law; provided, however, that a start-up charter school may give enrollment preference to applicants in any one or more of the following categories in the order of priority specified in the charter:

(i) Students who reside in a specified political subdivision within the charter attendance zone. For purposes of this division, the term 'political subdivision' means a local school system, county, municipal corporation, consolidated city-county government, or other political subdivision of the state created by or pursuant to the Constitution of Georgia or any general, local, or special Act of the General Assembly or any community improvement district of the state;

~~(i)~~(ii) A sibling of a student enrolled in the start-up charter school;

~~(ii)~~(iii) A sibling of a student enrolled in another local school designated in the charter;

~~(iii)~~(iv) A student whose parent or guardian is a member of the governing board of the charter school or is a full-time teacher, professional, or other employee at the charter school;

~~(iv)~~(v) Students matriculating from a local school designated in the charter; and

~~(v)~~(vi) Children who matriculate from a pre-kindergarten program which is associated with the school, including, but not limited to, programs which share common facilities or campuses with the school or programs which have established a partnership or cooperative efforts with the school; and

(B) A conversion charter school shall enroll any student who resides in the attendance zone specified in the charter and who submits a timely application as specified in the charter. If the number of applying students who reside in the attendance zone does not exceed the capacity as specified in the charter, additional students shall be enrolled based on a random selection process; provided, however, that enrollment preferences may be given to applicants in any one or more of the following categories in the order of priority specified in the charter:

(i) Students who reside in a specified political subdivision within the charter attendance zone. For purposes of this division, the term 'political subdivision' means a local school system, county, municipal corporation, consolidated city-county government, or other political subdivision of the state created by or pursuant to the Constitution of Georgia or any general, local, or special Act of the General Assembly or any community improvement district of the state;

~~(i)~~(ii) A sibling of a student enrolled in the charter school or in any school in the high school cluster;

~~(ii)~~(iii) Students whose parent or guardian is a member of the governing board of the charter school or is a full-time teacher, professional, or other employee at the charter school;

~~(iii)~~(iv) Students who were enrolled in the local school prior to its becoming a charter school;

~~(iv)~~(v) Students who reside in the charter attendance zone specified in the charter; and

~~(v)~~(vi) Children who matriculate from a pre-kindergarten program which is associated with the school, including, but not limited to, programs which share common facilities or campuses with the school or programs which have established a partnership or cooperative efforts with the school; and

(2) A student who resides outside the school system in which the local charter school is located may not enroll in that local charter school except pursuant to a contractual agreement between the local boards of the school system in which the student resides and the school system in which the local charter school is located. Unless otherwise provided in such contractual agreement, a local charter school may give enrollment preference to a sibling of a nonresident student currently enrolled in the local charter school.

(b) A state chartered special school shall enroll any student who resides in the attendance zone specified in the charter and who submits a timely application as specified in the charter unless the number of applications exceeds the capacity of a program, class, grade level, or building. The period of time during which an application for enrollment may be submitted shall be specified in the charter. In such case, all such applicants shall have an equal chance of being admitted through a random selection process unless otherwise prohibited by law; provided, however, that a state chartered special school may give enrollment preference to ~~a child of a full-time teacher, professional, or other employee of the state chartered special school as provided for in subsection (b) of Code Section 20-2-293 or to a sibling of a student currently enrolled in the state chartered special school~~ applicants in any one or more of the following categories in the order of priority specified in the charter:

(1) Students who reside in a specified political subdivision within the charter attendance zone. For purposes of this paragraph, the term 'political subdivision' means a local school system, county, municipal corporation, consolidated city-county government, or other political subdivision of the state created by or pursuant to the Constitution of Georgia or any general, local, or special Act of the General Assembly or any community improvement district of the state;

(2) A sibling of a student enrolled in the state charter school;

(3) A sibling of a student enrolled in another local school designated in the charter;

(4) A student whose parent or guardian is a member of the governing board of the state charter school or is a full-time teacher, professional, or other employee at the state charter school;

(5) Students matriculating from a local school designated in the charter; and

(6) Children who matriculate from a pre-kindergarten program which is associated with the state charter school, including, but not limited to, programs which share common facilities or campuses with the school or programs which have established a partnership or cooperative efforts with the school.

(b.1) A charter system shall enroll students in its system charter schools per the terms of the charter and in accordance with state board rules.

(c) A charter school shall not discriminate on any basis that would be illegal if used by a school system.

(d) A student may withdraw without penalty from a charter school at any time and enroll in a local school in the school system in which such student resides as may be provided for by the policies of the local board. A student who is suspended or expelled from a charter school as a result of a disciplinary action taken by a charter school shall be entitled to enroll in a local school within the local school system in which the student resides, if, under the disciplinary policy of the local school system, such student would not have been subject to suspension or expulsion for the conduct which gave rise to the suspension or expulsion. In such instances, the local board shall not be required to independently verify the nature or occurrence of the applicable conduct or any evidence relating thereto."

SECTION 45.

Said chapter is further amended by adding new subsections to Code Section 20-2-2068.1, relating to charter school funding, to read as follows:

"(i) The per student funding formula based on the school's projected enrollment, school profile, and student characteristics that is included in a charter petition which is approved by a local board shall be binding on such local board and the local board shall ensure that the charter school receives, at a minimum, the proportional level of state, local, and federal funding provided in such charter petition and approved charter.

(j) No later than April 1 of each year, a local charter school shall notify the local board and the department and a state chartered special school shall notify the department of the funding estimates calculated pursuant to this subsection for any new local charter school or state chartered special school and for any new grade levels or for a level of enrollment growth in an existing grade level specified in the charter offered by existing local charter schools or state chartered special schools. For purposes of funding students enrolled in a local charter school or a state chartered special school and prior to the initial student count, the local board or department, respectively, shall calculate and distribute, no later than July 1, the initial funding for the local charter school or state chartered special school on the basis of the funding estimate provided in this subsection. Nothing in this subsection shall be construed to require the department to conduct more than two student counts per year."

SECTION 46.

Said chapter is further amended by revising subsection (h) of Code Section 20-2-2068.2, relating to facilities fund for charter schools, purposes which funds may be used, upkeep of charter school property, and availability of unused facilities, as follows:

"(h)(1) As used in this subsection, the term 'unused facility' means a school building or other local board of education owned building that is or could be appropriate for school use in which less than 40 percent of the direct student instruction and critical administration space is being used.

(2) Each local board of education shall make its unused facilities available to local charter schools. The terms of the use of such a facility by the charter school shall be subject to negotiation between the board and the local charter school and shall be memorialized as a separate agreement. A local charter school that is allowed to use such a facility under such an agreement shall not sell or dispose of any interest in such property without the written permission of the local board. A local charter school may not be charged a rental or leasing fee for the existing facility or for property normally used by the public school which became the local charter school. A local charter school that receives property from a local board may not sell or dispose of such property without the written permission of the local board.

(3)(A) A local charter school shall have a right of first refusal to purchase at or below fair market value an unused facility. If, at the time a facility first becomes unused, the local board that owns the facility has a plan to reuse the facility within an 18 month period, the local board shall not be required to include the facility in its submission to the department. However, a local board may exclude an unused facility from the annual data base only once. Each local board of education shall annually, by a deadline and in accordance with guidelines established by the department, submit to the department a list of its unused facilities. The department shall, based on the submissions of the local board, publish to its website a searchable data base of unused facilities.

(B) The department shall monitor the searchable data base and notify all local charter schools of unused facilities that are available and may be appropriate for school use.

(C) The department shall establish minimum standards for an application process for local charter schools to facilitate the purchase of unused facilities from local boards. The local board that owns the unused facility shall conduct the sale and receive any funds realized from the sale of such facility under its control.

(D) In the event more than one local charter school applies to purchase an unused facility, the local board shall establish a competitive bidding process. In scoring bids, the local board shall give weight to academic quality and performance, financial health, community impact, and the program design of the charter school. If the local board receives two or more bids of equal score, the local board shall accept a bid based on a random draw conducted at a public hearing. The department may establish guidelines on how the competitive bidding process must be conducted.

(E) This paragraph shall not be interpreted to limit the ability of a local school to convert to a charter school pursuant to Code section 20-2-2064 or to limit the ability of a local board to provide a facility to a local charter school pursuant to paragraph (2) of this subsection."

SECTION 47.

Said chapter is further amended by revising subsection (a) and paragraph (1) of subsection (c) of Code Section 20-2-2083, relating to powers and duties of the State Charter Schools Commission, as follows:

"(a) The commission shall have the power to:

(1) Approve or deny petitions for state charter schools and renew, nonrenew, or terminate state charter school petitions in accordance with rules and regulations established pursuant to this article. At its discretion, the commission may preliminarily approve a petition for a state charter school before the petitioner has secured space, equipment, or personnel, if the petitioner indicates such preliminary approval is necessary for it to raise working capital. The State Board of Education shall review and may overrule the approval or renewal of a state charter school by the commission, ~~within 60 days of such decision by the commission~~ no later than 210 days after its submission to the commission pursuant to Code Section 20-2-2084, upon a majority vote of the members of the state board; and

(2) Conduct facility and curriculum reviews of state charter schools."

"(c)(1) The commission shall establish rules and regulations requiring each state charter school to provide adequate notice of its enrollment procedures~~, including any provision for the use of a random selection process where all applicants have an equal chance of being admitted in the event that the number of applications to enroll in the school exceeds the capacity of the program, grade, or school~~. A state charter school shall enroll any student who resides in the charter attendance zone as specified in the charter and who submits a timely application as specified in the charter unless the number of applications exceeds the capacity of a program, class, grade level, or building. In such case, all such applicants shall have an equal chance of being admitted through a random selection process unless otherwise prohibited by law; provided, however, that a state charter school may give enrollment preference to applicants in any one or more of the following categories in the order of priority specified in the charter:

(A) Students who reside in a specified political subdivision within the charter attendance zone. For purposes of this subparagraph, the term 'political subdivision' means a local school system, county, municipal corporation, consolidated city-county government, or other political subdivision of the state created by or pursuant to the Constitution of Georgia or any general, local, or special Act of the General Assembly or any community improvement district of the state;

(B) A sibling of a student enrolled in the state charter school;

(C) A sibling of a student enrolled in another local school designated in the charter;

(D) A student whose parent or guardian is a member of the governing board of the state charter school or is a full-time teacher, professional, or other employee at the state charter school;

(E) Students matriculating from a local school designated in the charter; and

(F) Children who matriculate from a pre-kindergarten program which is associated with the state charter school, including, but not limited to, programs which share common facilities or campuses with the school or programs which have established a partnership or cooperative efforts with the school."

SECTION 48.

Said chapter is further amended by revising subsections (a) through (c) of and by adding a new subsection to Code Section 20-2-2084, relating to petition for charter schools, requirements of school, governing board membership, and annual training, as follows:

"(a) Petitions submitted to the commission shall be subject to rules and regulations established pursuant to this article. The commission shall establish annual application deadlines of May 1 and November 1 for charter petitioners to submit charter petitions to the commission pursuant to subsection (c) of this Code section.

(b) The commission shall be authorized to approve a petition for a state charter school that meets the following requirements:

(1) Has a state-wide attendance zone, which may include a school which provides instruction in a physical location or which solely provides virtual instruction; or

(2)(A) Has a defined attendance zone; and

(B) Demonstrates that it has special characteristics, such as a special population, a special curriculum, or some other feature or features which enhance educational opportunities, which may include the demonstration of a need to enroll students across multiple communities or an alternative delivery system; provided, however, that the petitioner shall demonstrate a reasonable justification for any proposed special curriculum that has a narrow or limited focus.

(c)(1) For petitions for state charter schools with a state-wide attendance zone, the petitioner shall submit such petition to the commission and concurrently to the local board of education in which the school is proposed to be located for information purposes; provided, however, that this shall not apply to a proposed state charter school which will solely provide virtual instruction.

(2) For petitions for state charter schools with a defined attendance zone, the petitioner shall concurrently submit such petition to the commission, to the local board of education in which the school is proposed to be located, and to each local school system from which the proposed school plans to enroll students. The commission shall not act on a petition unless the local board of education in which the school is proposed to be located denies the petition; provided, however, that such local board shall approve or deny the petition no later than ~~60~~ 90 days after its submission, as required pursuant to subsection (b) of Code Section 20-2-2064~~, unless the petitioner requested an extension~~. Failure to approve or deny such petition by such local board, in violation of Code Section 20-2-2064, shall be deemed a denial for

purposes of this paragraph. A local board that has denied a petition for a state charter school shall be permitted to present to the commission in writing or in person the reasons for denial and the deficiencies in such petition resulting in such denial.

(3) The commission may take into consideration any support or opposition by the local board of education or local boards of education on the start-up charter school petition when it votes to approve or deny a corresponding state charter school petition.

(4) The commission shall approve or deny a petition no later than 150 days after its submission to the commission pursuant to this Code section. If the commission approves a petition, the charter shall be executed by the commission and the charter petitioner no later than 240 days after such petition was originally submitted to the commission pursuant to this Code section."

"(d.1) The commission shall establish rules, regulations, policies, and procedures to provide a separate and expedited petition process for high-performing state charter schools to replicate, renew, or expand their school design. Such rules, regulations, policies, and procedures shall require the charter school replication, renewal, or expansion petition to contain evidence of academic success for the school design that the state charter school petitioner intends to replicate, renew, or expand, along with proof that the petitioner has the financial and human resources necessary to replicate, renew, or expand the design successfully."

SECTION 49.

Said chapter is further amended by revising subsections (a) and (d) of Code Section 20-2-2089, relating to funding for state charter schools, as follows:

"(a)(1) The earnings for a student in a state charter school shall be equal to the earnings for any other student with similar student characteristics in a state charter school, regardless of the local school system in which the student resides or the school system in which the state charter school is located, and, except as otherwise provided in paragraph (2) of this subsection, the department shall pay to each state charter school through appropriation of state funds an amount equal to the sum of:

(A)(is) QBE formula earnings and QBE grants earned by the state charter school based on the school's enrollment, school profile, and student characteristics. For purposes of this subparagraph, the term 'QBE formula earnings' means funds earned for the Quality Basic Education Formula pursuant to Code Section 20-2-161, including the portion of such funds that are calculated in accordance with Code Section 20-2-164. QBE formula earnings shall include the salary portion of direct instructional costs, the adjustment for training and experience, the nonsalary portion of direct instructional costs, and earnings for psychologists and school social workers, school administration, facility maintenance and operation, media centers, additional days of instruction in accordance with Code Section 20-2-184.1, and staff development, as determined by the department.

(ii) A proportional share of earned state categorical grants, non-QBE state grants, transportation grants, school nutrition grants, and all other state grants, except state equalization grants, as determined by the department;

(B) The average amount of the total revenues less federal revenues less state revenues other than equalization grants per full-time equivalent for the lowest five school systems ranked by assessed valuation per weighted full-time equivalent count, as determined by the department; and

(C) The state-wide average total capital revenue per full-time equivalent, as determined by the department.

(2) In the event that a state charter school offers virtual instruction:

(A) The amount of funds received pursuant to subparagraph (B) of paragraph (1) of this subsection shall be equal to two-thirds of such calculated amount; provided, however, that this two-thirds amount may be increased by any amount up to the originally calculated amount in the discretion of the commission if relevant factors warrant such increase; and

(B) The commission may reduce the amount of funds received pursuant to subparagraph (C) of paragraph (1) of this subsection ~~in proportion to the amount of virtual instruction provided and based on factors that affect the cost of providing instruction~~ on a proportional basis if the school fails to provide documentation confirming its capital expenditures per full-time equivalent are greater than or equal to the state-wide average.

(3) Any funds deducted from a state charter school pursuant to Code Section 20-2-164, representing the equivalent of a local school system's five mill share, shall be calculated based only on funds received pursuant to subparagraph (B) of paragraph (1) of this subsection. For a state charter school that offers virtual instruction, the amount of the deduction shall be reduced by one-third, unless the commission has increased the school's calculated amount pursuant to subparagraph (A) of paragraph (2) of this subsection, in which case the deduction shall be proportionate to the amount of funding received.

~~(3)~~(4) For purposes of this subsection, the terms:

(A) 'Assessed valuation' is defined as 40 percent of the equalized adjusted property tax digest reduced by the amount calculated pursuant to subsection (g) of Code Section 20-2-164.

(B) 'Assessed valuation per weighted full-time equivalent count' is defined as the assessed valuation for the most recent year available divided by the weighted full-time equivalent count for the year of the digest."

"(d) No later than April 1 of each year, the state charter school shall notify the commission and the department of the funding estimates calculated pursuant to this subsection for any new state charter schools and for any new grade levels or for a level of enrollment growth in an existing grade level specified in the charter. For purposes of funding students enrolled in a state charter school ~~in the first year of such school's operation or for the first year that an existing state charter school offers a new grade level~~ and prior to the initial student count, the commission shall calculate and the department shall distribute, no later than July 1, the initial funding payment for the state charter school on the basis of ~~its projected enrollment according to an enrollment counting procedure or projection method stipulated in the terms of the charter~~ the

funding estimates provided in this subsection. ~~No later than July 1 of each year, the commission shall notify the department and the Office of Planning and Budget of the funding estimates calculated pursuant to this subsection for any new state charter schools and for any new grade levels offered by existing state charter schools. After the initial student count during the first year of such state charter school's operation or newly offered grade level and in all years of operation thereafter, each state charter school's student enrollment shall be based on the actual enrollment in the current school year according to the most recent student count.~~ Nothing in this ~~Code section~~ subsection shall be construed to require the department to conduct more than two student counts per year."

SECTION 50.

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

"20-2-2092.

(a) The commission shall have the power and authority to incorporate a nonprofit corporation that could qualify as a public foundation under Section 501(c)(3) of the Internal Revenue Code to aid the commission in carrying out any of its powers and in accomplishing any of its purposes. Any nonprofit corporation created pursuant to this power shall be created pursuant to Chapter 3 of Title 14, the 'Georgia Nonprofit Corporation Code,' and the Secretary of State shall be authorized to accept such filing.

(b) Any nonprofit corporation created pursuant to this Code section shall be subject to the following provisions:

(1) In accordance with the Constitution of Georgia, no governmental functions or regulatory powers shall be conducted by any such nonprofit corporation;

(2) Upon dissolution of any such nonprofit corporation incorporated by the commission, any assets shall revert to the commission or to any successor to the commission or, failing such succession, to the State of Georgia;

(3) As used in this paragraph, the term 'direct employee costs' means salary, benefits, and travel expenses. To avoid the appearance of undue influence on regulatory functions by donors, no donations to any such nonprofit corporation from private sources shall be used for direct employee costs of the commission;

(4) Any such nonprofit corporation shall be subject to all laws relating to open meetings and the inspection of public records;

(5) The commission shall not be liable for the action or omission to act of any such nonprofit corporation; and

(6) No debts, bonds, notes, or other obligations incurred by any such nonprofit corporation shall constitute an indebtedness or obligation of the State of Georgia nor shall any act of any such nonprofit corporation constitute or result in the creation of an indebtedness of the state. No holder or holders of any such bonds, notes, or other obligations shall ever have the right to compel any exercise of the taxing power of the state nor to enforce the payment thereof against the state.

(c) Pursuant to this Code section, the commission may establish a nonprofit corporation to be designated as the State Charter Schools Foundation for the sole

purpose of actively seeking supplemental revenue and in-kind goods, services, and property to promote state charter schools and any other purpose of the commission. Funds received by the foundation may be awarded through a competitive grant process administered by the commission.

(d) Any nonprofit corporation created pursuant to this Code section shall make public and provide an annual report showing the identity of all donors and the amount each person or entity donated as well as all expenditures or other disposal of money or property donated. Such report shall be provided to the Governor, the Lieutenant Governor, the Speaker of the House of Representatives, and the chairpersons of the House Committee on Education and the Senate Education and Youth Committee. Any such nonprofit corporation shall also provide such persons with a copy of all corporate filings with the federal Internal Revenue Service."

By striking line 23 and inserting in its place the following:

PART III

SECTION 1.

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

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

Y Chapman	Y Geisinger	Y Lumsden	Y Rynders	N Williams, A
Cheokas	Y Glanton	N Mabra	N Scott	Y Williams, C
Y Clark, J	Y Golick	Y Marin	Y Setzler	N Williams, E
Y Clark, V	N Gordon	Y Martin	N Sharper	Y Williamson
Y Coleman	Y Gravley	Y Maxwell	Y Shaw	Y Yates
Y Cooke	N Greene	Y Mayo	Y Sims, B	Ralston, Speaker

On the adoption of the amendment, the ayes were 122, nays 51.

The amendment was adopted.

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

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

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

On the passage of the Bill, as amended, the ayes were 119, nays 52.

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

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

Mr. Speaker:

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

HB 271. By Representatives Neal of the 2nd, Lindsey of the 54th, Meadows of the 5th, Oliver of the 82nd, Abrams of the 89th and others:

A BILL to be entitled an Act to amend Code Section 35-3-37 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to review of individual's criminal history record information, definitions, and privacy considerations, so as to revise definitions; to clarify provisions relating to record restriction involving certain felony offenses; to change provisions relating to the application of the Code section to arrests occurring prior to July 1, 2013; to provide for related matters; to repeal conflicting laws; and for other purposes.

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

SB 386. By Senators Albers of the 56th, McKoon of the 29th, Hufstetler of the 52nd, Millar of the 40th, Harper of the 7th and others:

A BILL to be entitled an Act to amend Chapter 11 of Title 9 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to civil practice, so as to prohibit the public disclosure of social security numbers, taxpayer identification numbers, and financial account numbers in court documents; to provide for procedures for such filings; to provide for exceptions; to provide for related matters; to repeal conflicting laws; and for other purposes.

The following Committee substitute was read:

A BILL TO BE ENTITLED
AN ACT

To amend Articles 3 and 10 of Chapter 11 of Title 9, Article 3 of Chapter 10 of Title 15, and Chapter 4 of Title 18 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to pleadings, motions and forms, civil proceedings in magistrate court, and garnishment proceedings, respectively, so as to provide for redacted information in certain filings; to provide for exceptions and filings under seal; to provide for correction of unredacted information; to provide for protective orders; to provide for references lists; to provide for waivers; to provide for form conformity; to provide for cross-references; 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 11 of Title 9 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to pleadings and motions, is amended by adding a new Code section to read as follows:

"9-11-7.1.

(a) **Redacted filings.** Except as provided in subsections (b) and (c) of this Code section or unless the court orders otherwise, a filing with the court that contains a social security number, taxpayer identification number, financial account number, or birth date shall include only:

(1) The last four digits of a social security number;

(2) The last four digits of a taxpayer identification number;

(3) The last four digits of a financial account number; and

(4) The year of an individual's birth.

(b) **Garnishment.** A summons of garnishment that is filed with a court shall only include the last four digits of the defendant's social security number, taxpayer identification number, or financial account number; provided, however, that the plaintiff shall provide the defendant's full social security number, taxpayer identification number, or financial account number, if reasonably available to the plaintiff, on the copies of the summons of garnishment served on the garnishee and defendant.

(c) **Exemptions from redaction requirement.** Subsection (a) of this Code section shall not apply to the following:

(1) A financial account number that identifies property allegedly subject to forfeiture in a civil forfeiture proceeding;

(2) The official record of an administrative or agency proceeding;

(3) The official record of a court or tribunal in another case or proceeding;

(4) A filing made in a probate court; and

(5) A filing made under seal as provided in subsection (d) of this Code section.

(d) **Filings made under seal.** The court may order that a filing be made under seal without redaction. The court may later unseal the filing or order the filer to file a redacted version for the public record. A filer may petition the court to file an

unredacted filing under seal. The court shall retain all filings made under seal as part of the record.

(e) **Correction of unredacted information.** An inadvertent failure to redact information which is required to be redacted shall be a curable defect and shall not preclude a document from being filed with the court. The court may order an unredacted filing be sealed and may also order that a redacted version of the same filing be filed for the public record.

(f) **Protective orders.** For good cause, the court may:

(1) Order a filing which contains additional personal or confidential information, other than the information required to be redacted pursuant to this Code section, be sealed and may also order that a redacted version of the same filing be filed for the public record; and

(2) Limit or prohibit a nonparty's remote electronic access to a document filed with the court.

(g) **Option for reference list.** A filing that contains redacted information may be filed together with a reference list that identifies each item of redacted information and specifies an appropriate identifier that uniquely corresponds to each item listed. Such reference list shall be filed under seal and may be amended as of right. Any reference in a civil action to a listed identifier shall be construed to refer to the corresponding item of information.

(h) **Waiver of protected identifiers.** A filer waives the protections provided by subsection (a) of this Code section to the extent that he or she makes his or her own filing without redaction and not under seal."

SECTION 2.

Article 10 of Chapter 11 of Title 9 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to forms, is amended by revising subsection (a) of Code Section 9-11-133, relating to forms meeting requirements for civil case filings and disposition, as follows:

"(a) The forms set out in subsections (b), (c), (d), and (e) of this Code section or forms substantially similar to such forms ~~are~~ shall be sufficient to meet the requirements for civil case filing and disposition forms; provided, however, that the general civil case filing information form and domestic relations case filing information form shall be required to contain an acknowledgment by the filer that the complaint and any exhibits or other attachments satisfy the redaction requirements of Code Section 9-11-7.1. The civil case forms set out in Exhibit F of the 'Report and Recommendations of the 1997-1998 Court Filings Committee' published by the State Bar of Georgia and dated May 15, 1998, are substantially similar to the forms set out in this Code section."

SECTION 3.

Article 3 of Chapter 10 of Title 15 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to civil proceedings in magistrate court, is amended by revising Code Section 15-10-42, relating to the Civil Practice Act being inapplicable to magistrate courts, as follows:

"15-10-42.

Except as provided in subsection (g) of Code Sections 15-10-43 and 15-10-50, proceedings ~~Proceedings~~ in the magistrate court shall not be subject to Chapter 11 of Title 9, the 'Georgia Civil Practice Act.'"

SECTION 4.

Said article is further amended by revising subsection (b) of Code Section 15-10-53, relating to filing documents by electronic means, as follows:

"(b) Any pleading or document filed electronically shall be in a format prescribed by the court and shall comply with Code Section 15-10-54."

SECTION 5.

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

"15-10-54.

(a) Except as provided in subsections (b) and (c) of this Code section or unless the court orders otherwise, a filing with the court that contains a social security number, taxpayer identification number, financial account number, or birth date:

(1) The last four digits of a social security number;

(2) The last four digits of a taxpayer identification number;

(3) The last four digits of a financial account number; and

(4) The year of an individual's birth.

(b) A summons of garnishment that is filed with the court shall only include the last four digits of the defendant's social security number, taxpayer identification number, or financial account number; provided, however, that the plaintiff shall provide the defendant's full social security number, taxpayer identification number, or financial account number, if reasonably available to the plaintiff, on the copies of the summons of garnishment served on the garnishee and defendant.

(c) Subsection (a) of this Code section shall not apply to the following:

(1) The official record of an administrative or agency proceeding;

(2) The official record of a court or tribunal in another case or proceeding; and

(3) A filing made under seal as provided in subsection (d) of this Code section.

(d) The court may order that a filing be made under seal without redaction. The court may later unseal the filing or order the filer to file a redacted version for the public record. A filer may petition the court to file an unredacted filing under seal. The court shall retain all filings made under seal as part of the record.

(e) An inadvertent failure to redact information which is required to be redacted shall be a curable defect and shall not preclude a document from being filed with the court. The court may order an unredacted filing be sealed and may also order that a redacted version of the same filing be filed for the public record.

(f) For good cause, the court may:

(1) Order a filing which contains additional personal or confidential information, other than the information required to be redacted pursuant to this Code section, be

sealed and may also order that a redacted version of the same filing be filed for the public record; and

(2) Limit or prohibit a nonparty's remote electronic access to a document filed with the court.

(g) A filing that contains redacted information may be filed together with a reference list that identifies each item of redacted information and specifies an appropriate identifier that uniquely corresponds to each item listed. Such reference list shall be filed under seal and may be amended as of right. Any reference in a civil action to a listed identifier shall be construed to refer to the corresponding item of information.

(h) A filer waives the protections provided by subsection (a) of this Code section to the extent that he or she makes his or her own filing without redaction and not under seal."

SECTION 6.

Chapter 4 of Title 18 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to garnishment proceedings, is amended by revising subsections (h) and (i) of Code Section 18-4-20, relating to property subject to garnishment generally, claim amount, and social security number on summons, as follows:

"(h) The summons of garnishment, including a summons of continuing garnishment, ~~may~~ shall on its face set forth~~, if known,~~ the social security number of the defendant to the extent it is reasonably available to the plaintiff; provided, however, that if such summons is filed with a court, the court filing shall be redacted in accordance with Code Section 9-11-7.1 or 15-10-54, as applicable. The defendant's full social security number shall be made known to the garnishee and defendant in accordance with Code Section 9-11-7.1 or 15-10-54, as applicable, to the extent such information is reasonably available to the plaintiff.

(i)(1) A summons of garnishment upon a financial institution, or an attachment thereto, shall state with particularity all of the following information, to the extent reasonably available to the plaintiff:

~~(1)~~(A) The name of the defendant, and, to the extent such would reasonably enable the garnishee to properly respond to the summons, all known configurations, nicknames, aliases, former or maiden names, trade names, or variations thereof;

~~(2)~~(B) The service address and the current addresses of the defendant and, to the extent such would reasonably enable the garnishee to properly respond to the summons of garnishment and such is reasonably available to the plaintiff, the past addresses of the defendant;

~~(3)~~(C) The social security number or federal tax identification number of the defendant; provided, however, that if such summons is filed with a court, the court filing shall be redacted in accordance with Code Section 9-11-7.1 or 15-10-54, as applicable. The defendant's full social security number or federal tax identification number shall be made known to the garnishee and defendant in accordance with Code Section 9-11-7.1 or 15-10-54, as applicable, to the extent such information is reasonably available to the plaintiff; and

~~(4)~~(D) Account, identification, or tracking numbers ~~known or suspected by~~ reasonably available to the plaintiff ~~to be~~ used by the garnishee in the identification or administration of the defendant's funds or property; provided, however, that if such summons is filed with a court, the court filing shall be redacted in accordance with Code Section 9-11-7.1 or 15-10-54, as applicable. The defendant's account, identification, or tracking numbers shall be made known to the garnishee and defendant in accordance with Code Section 9-11-7.1 or 15-10-54, as applicable, to the extent such information is reasonably available to the plaintiff.

(2) A misspelling of any information required by ~~paragraph (1) or (2) of~~ this subsection, other than the surname of a natural person defendant, shall not invalidate a summons of garnishment, so long as such information is not misleading in a search of the garnishee's records."

SECTION 7.

Said chapter is further amended by revising paragraphs (2) and (7) of Code Section 18-4-66, relating to forms for postjudgment garnishment, as follows:

"(2) Summons of garnishment.

IN THE _____ COURT OF _____ COUNTY
STATE OF GEORGIA

_____	)	
Plaintiff	)	
	)	
v.	)	Civil action
	)	File no. ____
_____	)	
Defendant	)	
Last four digits of social	)	
~~Social~~ security number	)	
	)	
_____	)	
Garnishee	)	
	)	
_____	)	
Address	)	

SUMMONS OF GARNISHMENT

To: _____ Garnishee
Amount claimed due by plaintiff $_____
(To be completed by plaintiff)
Plus court costs due on the summons $_____

(To be completed by the clerk)
YOU ARE HEREBY COMMANDED to hold immediately all property, money, wages, except what is exempt, belonging to the defendant, or debts owed to the defendant named above at the time of service of this summons and between the time of service of this summons and the time of making your garnishee answer. Not sooner than 30 days but not later than 45 days after you are served with this summons, you are commanded to file your garnishee answer in writing with the clerk of this court and serve a copy upon the plaintiff or the plaintiff's attorney named below. Money or other property subject to this summons should be delivered to the court with your garnishee answer. Should you fail to file a garnishee answer to this summons, a judgment will be rendered against you for the amount the plaintiff claims due by the defendant.
Witness the Honorable _____, Judge of said Court.
This _____ day of _____, ____.

_____
Clerk,
_____ Court of _____ County

_____
Plaintiff's attorney
_____
Address
Service perfected on garnishee, this ____ day of _____, ____.

_____
Deputy marshal, sheriff,
or constable"

"(7) Attachment to summons of garnishment upon a financial institution.

IN THE _____ COURT OF _____ COUNTY
STATE OF GEORGIA

_____	)	
Plaintiff	)	
	)	
v.	)	Civil action
	)	File no. ____
_____	)	
Defendant	)	
	)	
_____	)	
Other known names	)	
of Defendant	)	

)
_____)
Current and past)
addresses of Defendant)
)
_____)
Last four digits of social)
~~Social~~ security number)
or federal tax)
identification number)
of Defendant)
)
_____)
Last four digits of account)
~~Account~~ or identification)
numbers of Defendant)
used by Garnishee)
)
_____)
Other allegations)
)
_____)
Garnishee)"

SECTION 8.

Said chapter is further amended by revising paragraph (2) of Code Section 18-4-118, relating to forms for continuing garnishment, as follows:

"(2) Summons of continuing garnishment.

IN THE _____ COURT OF _____ COUNTY
STATE OF GEORGIA

_____)
Plaintiff)
)
v.) Civil action
) File no. ____
_____)
Defendant)
Last four digits of social)
~~Social~~ security number)
)
_____)
Garnishee)

)
_____)
Address)

SUMMONS OF CONTINUING GARNISHMENT

To: _____ Garnishee
Amount claimed due by plaintiff $_____
(To be completed by plaintiff)
Plus court costs due on this summons $_____
(To be completed by clerk)

YOU ARE HEREBY COMMANDED to hold immediately all property, money, wages, except what is exempt, belonging to the defendant, or debts owed to the defendant named above at the time of service of this summons and between the time of service of this summons to and including the one hundred seventy-ninth day thereafter. Not later than 45 days after you are served with this summons, you are commanded to file your garnishee answer in writing with the clerk of this court and serve a copy upon the plaintiff or his attorney named below. This garnishee answer shall state what property, money, and wages, except what is exempt, belonging to the defendant, or debts owed to the defendant, you hold or owe at the time of service of this summons and between the time of such service and the time of making your first garnishee answer. Thereafter, you are required to file further garnishee answers no later than 45 days after your last garnishee answer. Every further garnishee answer shall state what property, money, and wages, except what is exempt, belonging to the defendant, or debts owed to the defendant, you hold or owe at and from the time of the last garnishee answer to the time of the current garnishee answer. The last garnishee answer required by this summons shall be filed no later than the one hundred ninety-fifth day after you receive this summons. Money or other property admitted in a garnishee answer to be subject to continuing garnishment shall be delivered to the court with your garnishee answers. Should you fail to file garnishee answers as required by this summons, a judgment will be rendered against you for the amount the plaintiff claims due by the defendant.

Witness the Honorable _____, Judge of said Court.
This _____ day of _____, ____.

_____
Clerk,
_____ Court of _____ County

_____
Plaintiff's attorney

_____
Address
Service perfected on garnishee, this _____ day of _____, ____.

_____
Deputy marshal, sheriff,
or constable"

SECTION 9.
This Act shall become effective on July 1, 2014, and shall apply to any filings made on or after such date.

SECTION 10.
All laws and parts of laws in conflict with this Act are repealed.

The following amendment was read and adopted:

Representatives Coomer of the 14th, Kelley of the 16th, and Battles of the 15th offer the following amendment:

Amend the House Committee on Judiciary substitute to SB 386 (LC 39 0755S) by inserting after "To" *on line 1 the following:*

amend Code Section 15-6-3 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to terms of court, so as to change the terms of court for the Superior Court of Bartow County; to

By replacing "an effective date" *with* "effective dates" *on line 8.*

By redesignating Sections 2 through 8 as Sections 3 through 9, respectively.

By inserting between lines 11 and 12 the following:

Code Section 15-6-3 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to terms of court, is amended by revising subparagraph (A) of paragraph (9) as follows:

"(A) Bartow County — First Monday in February, ~~and August, fourth Monday in April, and third Monday in October~~ May, August, and November."

SECTION 2.

By replacing lines 317 through 321 with the following:

SECTION 10.
Section 1 of this Act shall become effective on January 1, 2015. Sections 2 through 9 of this Act shall become effective on July 1, 2014, and shall apply to any filings made on or after such date.

SECTION 11.
All laws and parts of laws in conflict with this Act are repealed.

The following amendment was read:

Representative Weldon of the 3rd et al. offer the following amendment:

Amend the House Committee on Judiciary substitute to SB 386 (LC 39 0755S) by deleting "Article 3 of" *on line 1.*

By replacing "civil proceedings in magistrate court" *with* "magistrate courts" *on line 3.*

By inserting after "conformity;" *on line 7, the following:*
so as to increase the fine amount for contempt of court;

By replacing lines 74 and 75 with following:
Chapter 10 of Title 15 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to magistrate courts, is amended by revising paragraph (7) of Code Section 15-10-2, relating to the jurisdiction of magistrate courts, as follows:

"(7) The punishment of contempts by fine not exceeding ~~$200.00~~ $500.00 or by imprisonment not exceeding ten days or both;"

SECTION 4.

Said chapter is further amended by revising Code Section 15-10-42, relating

By replacing "Said article" *with* "Said chapter" *on lines 82 and 87.*

By redesignating Sections 4 through 10 as Sections 5 through 11, respectively.

There being no motion made by Representative Weldon of the 3rd to adopt the Weldon amendment, the amendment was lost.

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

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

Y Abrams	Y Coomer	Y Gregory	Y McCall	Y Sims, C
Y Alexander	Y Cooper	Y Hamilton	Y McClain	Y Smith, E
Allison	Y Dawkins-Haigler	Y Harbin	Y Meadows	Y Smith, L
Y Anderson	Y Deffenbaugh	Y Harden	E Mitchell	Y Smith, M
Y Atwood	Y Dempsey	Y Harrell	Y Moore	Y Smith, R
Y Ballinger	Y Dickerson	Y Hatchett	Y Morgan	Y Smyre
Y Barr	Y Dickey	Y Hawkins	Y Morris	Y Spencer
Y Battles	Y Dickson	Y Henson	Y Mosby	Y Stephens, M
E Beasley-Teague	Y Dollar	Y Hightower	Y Nimmer	Y Stephens, R
Y Bell	Y Douglas	Y Hitchens	Y Nix	Y Stephenson

Y Bennett	Y Drenner	Y Holcomb	Oliver	Y Stovall
Y Bentley	Y Dudgeon	Y Holmes	Y O'Neal	Y Stover
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Y Braddock	Y Dutton	Hugley	Y Peake	Y Tanner
Y Broadrick	Y Efstration	Y Jackson	Y Pezold	Y Tarvin
Y Brockway	Y Ehrhart	Y Jacobs	Y Powell, A	Y Taylor, D
Y Brooks	Y England	Y Jasperse	Y Powell, J	Y Taylor, T
Y Bruce	Y Epps, C	Y Jones, J	Y Prince	Y Teasley
Y Bryant	Y Epps, J	Y Jones, L	Y Pruett	Y Thomas, A.M.
Y Buckner	Y Evans	Y Jones, S	Y Quick	Y Turner
Y Burns	Y Fleming	Y Jordan	Y Ramsey	Y Waites
Y Caldwell, J	Y Floyd	Y Kaiser	Y Randall	Y Watson, B
Y Caldwell, M	Y Fludd	Y Kelley	Y Rice	Y Watson, S
Y Carson	Y Frazier	Y Kendrick	Y Riley	Y Welch
Y Carter	Y Frye	Y Kidd	Y Roberts	Y Weldon
Y Casas	Y Fullerton	Y Kirby	Y Rogers, C	Y Wilkerson
Y Chandler	Y Gardner	Y Knight	Y Rogers, T	Y Wilkinson
Y Channell	Y Gasaway	Y Lindsey	Y Rutledge	Y Willard
Y Chapman	Y Geisinger	Y Lumsden	Y Rynders	Y Williams, A
Y Cheokas	Y Glanton	Y Mabra	Y Scott	Y Williams, C
Y Clark, J	Y Golick	Y Marin	Y Setzler	Y Williams, E
Y Clark, V	Y Gordon	Y Martin	Y Sharper	Y Williamson
Y Coleman	Y Gravley	Y Maxwell	Y Shaw	Y Yates
Y Cooke	Y Greene	Y Mayo	Y Sims, B	Ralston, Speaker

On the passage of the Bill, by substitute, as amended, the ayes were 174, nays 0.

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

SB 392. By Senators Gooch of the 51st, Mullis of the 53rd, Miller of the 49th, Dugan of the 30th, Wilkinson of the 50th and others:

A BILL to be entitled an Act to amend Title 40 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to motor vehicles, so as to provide for an additional definition; to provide for acceptance of applications for registration for certain motor vehicles not in compliance with federal emission standards; to provide for acceptance of applications for title for certain motor vehicles not in compliance with federal emission standards; to exclude certain motor vehicles from the definition of "unconventional motor vehicle or motorcycle"; to provide for related matters; to repeal conflicting laws; and for other purposes.

The following amendment was read and adopted:

Representative Ramsey of the 72nd offers the following amendment:

Amend SB 392 (LC 39 0639) by deleting lines 6 and 7 and inserting in lieu thereof the following:
"unconventional motor vehicle or motorcycle"; to revise the time that a Class D license holder is prohibited from driving a Class C motor vehicle on the public roads, streets, or highways of this state; to provide for related matters; to repeal conflicting laws; and for other purposes.

By deleting line 119 and inserting in lieu thereof the following:
Said title is further amended by revising subparagraph (b)(2)(A) of Code Section 40-5-24, relating to instruction permits, graduated licensing and related restrictions, and temporary licenses, as follows:

"(A) Any Class D license holder shall not drive a Class C motor vehicle on the public roads, streets, or highways of this state between the hours of 12:00 Midnight and ~~6:00~~ 5:00 A.M. eastern standard time or eastern daylight time, whichever is applicable; and"

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, was agreed to, as amended.

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

Y Abrams	Y Coomer	Y Gregory	Y McCall	Y Sims, C
Y Alexander	Y Cooper	Y Hamilton	Y McClain	Y Smith, E
Y Allison	Y Dawkins-Haigler	Y Harbin	Y Meadows	Y Smith, L
Y Anderson	Deffenbaugh	Y Harden	E Mitchell	Y Smith, M
Y Atwood	Y Dempsey	Y Harrell	Y Moore	Y Smith, R
Y Ballinger	Y Dickerson	Y Hatchett	Y Morgan	Y Smyre
Y Barr	Y Dickey	Y Hawkins	Y Morris	Spencer
Y Battles	Y Dickson	Y Henson	Y Mosby	Y Stephens, M
E Beasley-Teague	Y Dollar	Y Hightower	Y Nimmer	Y Stephens, R
Y Bell	Y Douglas	Y Hitchens	Y Nix	Stephenson
Y Bennett	Y Drenner	Y Holcomb	Y Oliver	Y Stovall
Y Bentley	Y Dudgeon	Y Holmes	Y O'Neal	Y Stover
Y Benton	Y Dukes	Y Holt	Y Pak	Y Strickland
Y Beverly	Y Dunahoo	Y Houston	Y Parrish	Y Talton
Y Black	Y Duncan	Y Howard	Y Parsons	Y Tankersley
Y Braddock	Y Dutton	Y Hugley	Y Peake	Y Tanner
Y Broadrick	Y Efstration	Y Jackson	Y Pezold	Y Tarvin
Y Brockway	Y Ehrhart	Y Jacobs	Y Powell, A	Y Taylor, D

Y Brooks	Y England	Y Jasperse	Y Powell, J	Y Taylor, T
Y Bruce	Y Epps, C	Y Jones, J	Y Prince	Y Teasley
Y Bryant	Y Epps, J	Y Jones, L	Y Pruett	Y Thomas, A.M.
Y Buckner	Y Evans	Y Jones, S	Y Quick	Y Turner
Y Burns	Y Fleming	Y Jordan	Y Ramsey	Y Waites
Y Caldwell, J	Floyd	Y Kaiser	Y Randall	Y Watson, B
Y Caldwell, M	Y Fludd	Y Kelley	Y Rice	Y Watson, S
Y Carson	Y Frazier	Y Kendrick	Y Riley	Y Welch
Y Carter	Y Frye	Y Kidd	Y Roberts	Weldon
Y Casas	Y Fullerton	Y Kirby	Y Rogers, C	Y Wilkerson
Y Chandler	Y Gardner	Y Knight	Y Rogers, T	Y Wilkinson
Y Channell	Y Gasaway	Y Lindsey	Y Rutledge	Y Willard
Y Chapman	Y Geisinger	Y Lumsden	Y Rynders	Y Williams, A
Y Cheokas	Y Glanton	Y Mabra	Y Scott	Y Williams, C
Y Clark, J	Y Golick	Y Marin	Y Setzler	Y Williams, E
Y Clark, V	Y Gordon	Y Martin	Y Sharper	Y Williamson
Y Coleman	Y Gravley	Y Maxwell	Y Shaw	Y Yates
Y Cooke	Y Greene	Y Mayo	Y Sims, B	Ralston, Speaker

On the passage of the Bill, as amended, the ayes were 172, nays 0.

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

The following Bill of the Senate, having previously been read, was again taken up for consideration:

SB 350. By Senators Unterman of the 45th, Millar of the 40th, Beach of the 21st, Shafer of the 48th and Sims of the 12th:

A BILL to be entitled an Act to amend Chapter 2 of Title 49 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to the Department of Human Services, so as to provide for the bidding out of child welfare services state wide through contracts with community based providers; to provide for definitions; to provide for qualifications for contractors; to provide for contract standards; to provide for a review; to provide for procedures; to provide for related matters; to provide for a contingent effective date; to provide for an effective date; to repeal conflicting laws; and for other purposes.

The Committee substitute was previously read and adopted.

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:

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

On the passage of the Bill, by substitute, the ayes were 104, nays 70.

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

House of Representatives
Coverdell Legislative Office Building, Room 408
Atlanta, Georgia 30334

March 18, 2014

Clerk Bill Reilly
Georgia House of Representatives
309 State Capitol
Atlanta, Georgia 30334

Dear Clerk Reilly:

My voting machine malfunctioned during the vote of SB 350 and did not record my vote. Please let the journal reflect that my intended vote was "NO".

Sincerely,

/s/ Carolyn F. Hugley

The following Bill of the House was taken up for the purpose of considering the Senate action thereon:

HB 246. By Representatives Golick of the 40th, Smith of the 134th, Neal of the 2nd and Shaw of the 176th:

A BILL to be entitled an Act to amend Article 1 of Chapter 9 of Title 10 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to general provisions for the Geo. L. Smith II Georgia World Congress Center Authority, so as to provide that the authority shall have the power to provide benefit programs to its officers, employees, and other agents, including a retirement plan and a group insurance plan; to amend Article 3 of Chapter 18 of Title 45 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to the Employee Benefit Plan Council, so as to extend the option to elect coverage in the program to the authority; to provide for related matters; to repeal conflicting laws; and for other purposes.

The following Senate substitute was read:

A BILL TO BE ENTITLED
AN ACT

To amend Article 1 of Chapter 9 of Title 10 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to general provisions for the Geo. L. Smith II Georgia World Congress Center Authority, so as to provide that the authority shall have the power to provide benefit programs to its officers, employees, and other agents, including a retirement plan and a group insurance plan; to amend Article 3 of Chapter 18 of Title 45 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to the Employee Benefit Plan Council, so as to extend the option to elect coverage in the program to the authority; to amend Code Section 45-18-2 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to the authority of the Board of Community Health to establish health insurance plan, rules and regulations, provisions of plan generally, and coverage for retiring or retired employees relating to the state employees' health insurance plan, so as to provide that no health insurance plan for

employees of this state shall offer coverage for abortion services; 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 1 of Chapter 9 of Title 10 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to general provisions for the Geo. L. Smith II Georgia World Congress Center Authority, is amended by revising paragraph (4) of subsection (b) of Code Section 10-9-4, relating to authority powers, as follows:

"(4) To elect, appoint, or hire officers, employees, and other agents of the authority, including experts and fiscal agents, define their duties, ~~and~~ fix their compensation, and establish a flexible employee benefit plan for authority employees which may include those flexible employee benefits described in Code Section 45-18-52;"

SECTION 2.

Said article is further amended by revising Code Section 45-18-54, relating to continuation of optional plans, approval of optional plans, or contracting with new or additional insurers, by adding a new subsection to read as follows:

"(d) The Geo. L. Smith II Georgia World Congress Center Authority shall have the option to irrevocably elect or reject coverage for employees of the authority in this program no later than June 30, 2014. New optional employee benefit plans or any contracting with new or additional insurers under existing plans that authorize the deduction or reduction of voluntarily designated amounts, including insurance, from the salaries of the full-time employees must be approved by the council. If the authority elects to participate in the coverage under this plan, it shall be assessed a pro rata share of the cost of administering the plan."

SECTION 3.

Code Section 45-18-2 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to the board's authority to establish health insurance plan, rules and regulations, provisions of plan generally, and coverage for retiring or retired employees, is amended by adding a new subsection to read as follows:

"(a.1) No health insurance plan shall offer coverage for abortion services unless needed due to the mother’s medical necessity or to preserve mother’s life."

SECTION 4.

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

The following amendment was read and adopted:

Representative Golick of the 40th offers the following amendment:

Amend the Senate substitute to HB 246 (HB 246/SCSFA/2) by deleting lines 7 through 12 and inserting in lieu thereof the following:
coverage in the program to the authority; to provide for related matters; to repeal conflicting laws; and

By deleting lines 37 through 44.

Representative Golick of the 40th moved that the House agree to the Senate substitute, as amended by the House, to HB 246.

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

Y Abrams	Y Coomer	Y Gregory	Y McCall	Y Sims, C
Y Alexander	Y Cooper	Y Hamilton	Y McClain	Y Smith, E
Y Allison	Y Dawkins-Haigler	Y Harbin	Y Meadows	Y Smith, L
Y Anderson	Y Deffenbaugh	Y Harden	E Mitchell	Y Smith, M
Y Atwood	Y Dempsey	Y Harrell	Y Moore	Y Smith, R
Y Ballinger	Y Dickerson	Y Hatchett	Y Morgan	Y Smyre
Y Barr	Y Dickey	Y Hawkins	Y Morris	Y Spencer
Y Battles	Y Dickson	Y Henson	Y Mosby	Y Stephens, M
E Beasley-Teague	Dollar	Y Hightower	Y Nimmer	Stephens, R
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Y Brockway	Y Ehrhart	E Jacobs	Y Powell, A	Y Taylor, D
Y Brooks	Y England	Y Jasperse	Y Powell, J	Y Taylor, T
Y Bruce	Y Epps, C	Y Jones, J	Y Prince	Y Teasley
Y Bryant	Y Epps, J	Jones, L	Y Pruett	Y Thomas, A.M.
Y Buckner	Y Evans	Y Jones, S	Y Quick	Y Turner
Y Burns	Y Fleming	Y Jordan	Y Ramsey	Y Waites
Y Caldwell, J	Floyd	Y Kaiser	Y Randall	Y Watson, B
Y Caldwell, M	Y Fludd	E Kelley	Y Rice	Y Watson, S
Y Carson	Y Frazier	Y Kendrick	Y Riley	Welch
Y Carter	Y Frye	Y Kidd	Y Roberts	Weldon
Y Casas	Y Fullerton	Y Kirby	Y Rogers, C	Y Wilkerson
Y Chandler	Y Gardner	Y Knight	Y Rogers, T	Y Wilkinson
Y Channell	Y Gasaway	Y Lindsey	Y Rutledge	Willard
Y Chapman	Y Geisinger	Y Lumsden	Rynders	Y Williams, A
Y Cheokas	Y Glanton	Mabra	Y Scott	Y Williams, C
Clark, J	Y Golick	Y Marin	Y Setzler	Y Williams, E
Y Clark, V	Y Gordon	Y Martin	Y Sharper	Y Williamson
Y Coleman	Y Gravley	Y Maxwell	Y Shaw	Y Yates
Y Cooke	Y Greene	Y Mayo	Y Sims, B	Ralston, Speaker

On the motion, the ayes were 162, nays 0.

The motion prevailed.

The following messages were received from the Senate through Mr. Cook, the Secretary thereof:

Mr. Speaker:

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

HB 840. By Representatives Golick of the 40th, Smith of the 134th, Maxwell of the 17th and Shaw of the 176th:

A BILL to be entitled an Act to amend Code Section 33-2-24 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to the Commissioner's enforcement of the title rules, regulations, and orders, issuance of orders without hearings, civil actions, criminal violations, and penalties relative to insurance, so as to clarify persons under the authority of the Commissioner and subject to penalties under Title 33; to provide for related matters; to repeal conflicting laws; and for other purposes.

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

HB 872. By Representatives Rogers of the 10th, Hitchens of the 161st, Lumsden of the 12th, Benton of the 31st, Powell of the 32nd and others:

A BILL to be entitled an Act to amend Chapter 5 of Title 24 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to privileges, so as to create a privileged communication between law enforcement officers and peer counselors under certain circumstances; to provide for definitions; to provide for exceptions; to provide for related matters; to repeal conflicting laws; and for other purposes.

HB 918. By Representative Peake of the 141st:

A BILL to be entitled an Act to amend Title 48 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to revenue and taxation, so as to define the terms "Internal Revenue Code" and "Internal Revenue Code of 1986" and thereby incorporate certain provisions of the federal law into Georgia law; to provide that certain corporate income tax elections made for federal income tax purposes shall also apply for state income tax purposes; to provide an effective

date; to provide applicability; to repeal conflicting laws; and for other purposes.

Mr. Speaker:

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

HB 128. By Representatives Peake of the 141st, Meadows of the 5th, Willard of the 51st, Dempsey of the 13th, Lindsey of the 54th and others:

A BILL to be entitled an Act to amend Article 2 of Chapter 7 of Title 48 of the O.C.G.A., relating to the imposition, rate, computation, and exemptions from state income tax, so as to revise and change provisions regarding state income tax credits; to provide for state income tax credits for certain downtown investments; to provide for state income tax credits for qualified contributions to a Georgia Renaissance Fund; to provide for state income tax credits for certain downtown housing investments; to provide for short titles; to provide for procedures, conditions, and limitations; to provide for powers, duties, and authority of the state revenue commissioner, the Department of Revenue, and the Department of Community Affairs; to provide for related matters; to provide for an effective date and applicability; to repeal conflicting laws; and for other purposes.

HB 477. By Representatives Powell of the 171st, Maxwell of the 17th, Lindsey of the 54th and Golick of the 40th:

A BILL to be entitled an Act to amend Article 5 of Chapter 2 of Title 47 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to service creditable toward retirement benefits under the Employees' Retirement System of Georgia, so as to provide for the transfer of service credit from the Georgia Judicial Retirement System to the Employees' Retirement System of Georgia; to provide for the transfer of funds; to provide for the payment for creditable service in the Employees' Retirement System of Georgia for prior service as a member of the Georgia Judicial Retirement System; to provide for conditions and payment; to provide conditions for an effective date and automatic repeal; to repeal conflicting laws; and for other purposes.

HB 490. By Representatives Barr of the 103rd, Casas of the 107th, Rogers of the 29th, Ramsey of the 72nd, Maxwell of the 17th and others:

A BILL to be entitled an Act to amend Part 6 of Article 17 of Chapter 2 of Title 20 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to health

insurance plans for teachers and other school personnel, so as to expand board authorization to contract with local employers to librarians and other personnel employed by regional and county libraries; to provide for definitions; to provide for related matters; to repeal conflicting laws; for other purposes.

HB 957. By Representatives Williams of the 119th, Smith of the 70th, Harden of the 148th and McCall of the 33rd:

A BILL to be entitled an Act to amend Article 9 of Chapter 8 of Title 12 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, the "Georgia Hazardous Site Reuse and Redevelopment Act," so as provide a new short title; to revise definitions; to expand the limitation of liability to certain purchasers; to provide for transfer of limitation of liability; to provide for applicability; to provide for related matters; to repeal conflicting laws; and for other purposes.

Representative Willard of the 51st District, Chairman of the Committee on Judiciary, submitted the following report:

Mr. Speaker:

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

SB 282 Do Pass

Respectfully submitted,
/s/ Willard of the 51st
Chairman

Representative O`Neal of the 146th assumed the chair.

The following Bill of the House was taken up for the purpose of considering the report of the Committee of Conference thereon:

HB 744. By Representatives Ralston of the 7th, Jones of the 47th, O`Neal of the 146th and England of the 116th:

A BILL to be entitled an Act to make and provide appropriations for the State Fiscal Year beginning July 1, 2014, and ending June 30, 2015; to make and provide such appropriations for the operation of the state government and its departments, boards, bureaus, commissions, institutions, and other

agencies, for the university system, common schools, counties, municipalities, and political subdivisions, for all other governmental activities, projects, and undertakings authorized by law, and for all leases, contracts, agreements, and grants authorized by law; to provide for the control and administration of funds; to provide an effective date; to repeal conflicting laws; and for other purposes.

The following report of the Committee of Conference was read:

COMMITTEE OF CONFERENCE REPORT ON HB 744

The Committee of Conference on HB 744 recommends that both the Senate and the House of Representatives recede from their positions and that the attached Committee of Conference Substitute to HB 744 be adopted.

Respectfully submitted,

FOR THE SENATE:

/s/ Jack Hill
Senator, 4th District

/s/ David Shafer
Senator, 48th District

FOR THE HOUSE
OF REPRESENTATIVES:

/s/ Terry England
Representative, 116th District

/s/ Jan Jones
Representative, 47th District

/s/ Larry O'Neal
Representative, 146th District

CONFERENCE COMMITTEE SUBSTITUTE
A BILL TO BE ENTITLED
AN ACT

To make and provide appropriations for the State Fiscal Year beginning July 1, 2014, and ending June 30, 2015; to make and provide such appropriations for the operation of the State government and its departments, boards, bureaus, commissions, institutions, and other agencies, for the university system, common schools, counties, municipalities, and political subdivisions, for all other governmental activities, projects, and undertakings authorized by law, and for all leases, contracts, agreements, and grants authorized by law; to provide for the control and administration of funds; to provide an effective date; to repeal conflicting laws; and for other purposes.

BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF GEORGIA:

PART I

The sums of money hereinafter provided are appropriated for the State Fiscal Year beginning July 1, 2014, and ending June 30, 2015, as prescribed hereinafter for such fiscal year:

Total Funds	**$42,374,896,219**
Federal Funds and Grants	**$12,121,741,978**
CCDF Mandatory and Matching Funds (CFDA 93.596)	$97,386,835
Child Care and Development Block Grant (CFDA 93.575)	$102,841,170
Community Mental Health Services Block Grant (CFDA 93.958)	$14,163,709
Community Service Block Grant (CFDA 93.569)	$18,302,803
Federal Highway Administration Highway Planning and Construction (CFDA 20.205)	$1,143,641,430
Foster Care Title IV-E (CFDA 93.658)	$75,782,283
Low-Income Home Energy Assistance (CFDA 93.568)	$55,906,108
Maternal and Child Health Services Block Grant (CFDA 93.994)	$20,411,154
Medical Assistance Program (CFDA 93.778)	$6,381,489,919
Prevention and Treatment of Substance Abuse Block Grant (CFDA 93.959)	$47,733,582
Preventive Health and Health Services Block Grant (CFDA 93.991)	$1,957,150
Social Services Block Grant (CFDA 93.667)	$92,797,423
State Children's Insurance Program (CFDA 93.767)	$330,214,685
TANF Block Grant -	$9,551,600

Unobligated Balance	
Temporary Assistance for Needy Families Block Grant (CFDA 93.558)	$348,133,738
Federal Funds Not Specifically Identified	$3,381,428,389
Federal Recovery Funds	**$63,242,433**
Federal Recovery Funds Not Specifically Identified	$63,242,433
Other Funds	**$5,625,274,459**
Agency Funds	$3,079,731,888
Indigent Care Trust Fund - Public Hospital Authorities	$139,386,524
Other Funds - Not Specifically Identified	$301,132,740
Prior Year Funds - Other	$580,253
Records Center Storage Fee	$592,381
Research Funds	$2,103,850,673
State Funds	**$20,836,744,620**
Brain and Spinal Injury Trust Fund	$1,784,064
Hospital Provider Payment	$264,217,234
Lottery Funds	$947,948,052
Motor Fuel Funds	$1,005,757,534
Nursing Home Provider Fees	$167,756,401
State General Funds	$18,306,819,505
Tobacco Settlement Funds	$142,461,830
Intra-State Government Transfers	**$3,727,892,729**
Health Insurance Payments	$3,170,009,742
Medicaid Services Payments - Other Agencies	$280,857,262
Other Intra-State Government Payments	$63,090,685
Retirement Payments	$52,199,835
Self Insurance Trust Fund Payments	$161,735,205

Section 1: Georgia Senate

Total Funds	**$10,585,835**
State Funds	**$10,585,835**
State General Funds	$10,585,835

1.1. Lieutenant Governor's Office

Total Funds	$1,256,003
State Funds	$1,256,003
State General Funds	$1,256,003

The above amounts include the following adjustments, additions, and deletions to the previous appropriations act (as amended):

	State Funds	Total Funds
Amount from previous Appropriations Act (HB 106) as amended	$1,206,170	$1,206,170
Provide funds for merit-based pay adjustments and employee recruitment and retention initiatives effective July 1, 2014.	$27,532	$27,532
Increase funds to reflect an adjustment in the employer share of the Employees' Retirement System.	$22,301	$22,301
Amount appropriated in this Act	$1,256,003	$1,256,003

1.2. Secretary of the Senate's Office

Total Funds	$1,147,666
State Funds	$1,147,666
State General Funds	$1,147,666

The above amounts include the following adjustments, additions, and deletions to the previous appropriations act (as amended):

	State Funds	Total Funds
Amount from previous Appropriations Act (HB 106) as amended	$1,120,995	$1,120,995
Provide funds for merit-based pay adjustments and employee recruitment and retention initiatives effective July 1, 2014.	$8,276	$8,276
Increase funds to reflect an adjustment in the employer share of the Employees' Retirement System.	$18,395	$18,395
Amount appropriated in this Act	$1,147,666	$1,147,666

1.3. Senate

Total Funds	$7,115,031
State Funds	$7,115,031
State General Funds	$7,115,031

The above amounts include the following adjustments, additions, and deletions to the previous appropriations act (as amended):

	State Funds	Total Funds
Amount from previous Appropriations Act (HB 106) as amended	$6,988,331	$6,988,331
Provide funds for merit-based pay adjustments and	$49,215	$49,215

employee recruitment and retention initiatives effective July 1, 2014.		
Increase funds to reflect an adjustment in the employer share of the Employees' Retirement System.	$77,485	$77,485
Amount appropriated in this Act	$7,115,031	$7,115,031

1.4. Senate Budget and Evaluation Office

Purpose: The purpose of this appropriation is to provide budget development and evaluation expertise to the State Senate.

Total Funds	$1,067,135
State Funds	$1,067,135
State General Funds	$1,067,135

The above amounts include the following adjustments, additions, and deletions to the previous appropriations act (as amended):

	State Funds	Total Funds
Amount from previous Appropriations Act (HB 106) as amended	$1,009,608	$1,009,608
Provide funds for merit-based pay adjustments and employee recruitment and retention initiatives effective July 1, 2014.	$35,840	$35,840
Increase funds to reflect an adjustment in the employer share of the Employees' Retirement System.	$21,687	$21,687
Amount appropriated in this Act	$1,067,135	$1,067,135

Section 2: Georgia House of Representatives

Total Funds	**$18,705,323**
State Funds	**$18,705,323**
State General Funds	$18,705,323

2.1. House of Representatives

Total Funds	$18,705,323
State Funds	$18,705,323
State General Funds	$18,705,323

The above amounts include the following adjustments, additions, and deletions to the previous appropriations act (as amended):

	State Funds	Total Funds
Amount from previous Appropriations Act (HB 106) as amended	$18,416,477	$18,416,477
Provide funds for merit-based pay adjustments and employee recruitment and retention initiatives effective July 1, 2014.	$122,197	$122,197
Increase funds to reflect an adjustment in the employer share of the Employees' Retirement System.	$166,649	$166,649
Amount appropriated in this Act	$18,705,323	$18,705,323

Section 3: Georgia General Assembly Joint Offices

Total Funds	**$10,043,865**
State Funds	**$10,043,865**
State General Funds	$10,043,865

3.1. Ancillary Activities

Purpose: The purpose of this appropriation is to provide services for the legislative branch of government.

Total Funds	$5,734,042
State Funds	$5,734,042
State General Funds	$5,734,042

The above amounts include the following adjustments, additions, and deletions to the previous appropriations act (as amended):

	State Funds	Total Funds
Amount from previous Appropriations Act (HB 106) as amended	$4,637,002	$4,637,002
Provide funds for merit-based pay adjustments and employee recruitment and retention initiatives effective July 1, 2014.	$15,826	$15,826
Increase funds to reflect an adjustment in the employer share of the Employees' Retirement System.	$30,469	$30,469
Transfer funds from the Fiscal Office program based on projected expenditures.	$1,050,745	$1,050,745
Amount appropriated in this Act	$5,734,042	$5,734,042

3.2. Legislative Fiscal Office

Purpose: The purpose of this appropriation is to act as the bookkeeper-comptroller for the legislative branch of government and maintain an account of legislative expenditures and commitments.

Total Funds	$1,273,514
State Funds	$1,273,514
State General Funds	$1,273,514

The above amounts include the following adjustments, additions, and deletions to the previous appropriations act (as amended):

	State Funds	Total Funds
Amount from previous Appropriations Act (HB 106) as amended	$2,296,176	$2,296,176
Provide funds for merit-based pay adjustments and employee recruitment and retention initiatives effective July 1, 2014.	$8,346	$8,346
Increase funds to reflect an adjustment in the employer share of the Employees' Retirement System.	$16,060	$16,060
Reflect an adjustment in TeamWorks billings.	$3,677	$3,677
Transfer funds to the Ancillary Activities program based on projected expenditures.	($1,050,745)	($1,050,745)
Amount appropriated in this Act	$1,273,514	$1,273,514

3.3. Office of Legislative Counsel

Purpose: The purpose of this appropriation is to provide bill-drafting services, advice and counsel for members of the General Assembly.

Total Funds	$3,036,309
State Funds	$3,036,309
State General Funds	$3,036,309

The above amounts include the following adjustments, additions, and deletions to the previous appropriations act (as amended):

	State Funds	Total Funds
Amount from previous Appropriations Act (HB 106) as amended	$2,952,495	$2,952,495
Provide funds for merit-based pay adjustments and employee recruitment and retention initiatives effective July 1, 2014.	$26,662	$26,662
Increase funds to reflect an adjustment in the employer share of the Employees' Retirement System.	$57,152	$57,152
Amount appropriated in this Act	$3,036,309	$3,036,309

Section 4: Audits and Accounts, Department of

Total Funds	**$34,090,200**
Other Funds	**$550,000**
Other Funds - Not Specifically Identified	$550,000
State Funds	**$33,450,200**
State General Funds	$33,450,200
Intra-State Government Transfers	**$90,000**
Other Intra-State Government Payments	$90,000

4.1. Audit and Assurance Services

Purpose: The purpose of this appropriation is to provide audit and assurance services for State Agencies, Authorities, Commissions, Bureaus, and higher education systems to facilitate Auditor's reports for the State of Georgia Comprehensive Annual Financial Report, the State of Georgia Single Audit Report, and the State of Georgia Budgetary Compliance Report; to conduct audits of public school systems in Georgia; to perform special examinations and investigations; to conduct performance audits and evaluations at the request of the General Assembly; to conduct reviews of audits reports conducted by other independent auditors of local governments and non-profit organizations contracting with the State; to audit Medicaid provider claims; and to provide state financial information online to promote transparency in government.

Total Funds	$29,881,479
Other Funds	$550,000
Other Funds - Not Specifically Identified	$550,000
State Funds	$29,241,479

State General Funds	$29,241,479
Intra-State Government Transfers	$90,000
Other Intra-State Government Payments	$90,000

The above amounts include the following adjustments, additions, and deletions to the previous appropriations act (as amended):

	State Funds	Total Funds
Amount from previous Appropriations Act (HB 106) as amended	$26,563,929	$27,245,929
Provide funds for merit-based pay adjustments and employee recruitment and retention initiatives effective July 1, 2014.	$156,250	$156,250
Increase funds to reflect an adjustment in the employer share of the Employees' Retirement System.	$521,300	$521,300
Eliminate other funds for audit services of the American Recovery and Reinvestment Act of 2009.	$0	($42,000)
Increase funds for personal services for recruitment and retention initiatives.	$2,000,000	$2,000,000
Amount appropriated in this Act	$29,241,479	$29,881,479

4.2. Departmental Administration

Purpose: The purpose of this appropriation is to provide administrative support to all Department programs.

Total Funds	$1,742,089
State Funds	$1,742,089
State General Funds	$1,742,089

The above amounts include the following adjustments, additions, and deletions to the previous appropriations act (as amended):

	State Funds	Total Funds
Amount from previous Appropriations Act (HB 106) as amended	$1,669,749	$1,669,749
Provide funds for merit-based pay adjustments and employee recruitment and retention initiatives effective July 1, 2014.	$25,000	$25,000
Increase funds to reflect an adjustment in the employer share of the Employees' Retirement System.	$45,700	$45,700
Reflect an adjustment in TeamWorks billings.	$1,640	$1,640
Amount appropriated in this Act	$1,742,089	$1,742,089

4.3. Immigration Enforcement Review Board

Purpose: The purpose of this appropriation is to reimburse members of the Immigration Enforcement Review Board for expenses incurred in connection with the investigation and review of complaints alleging failure of public agencies or employees to properly adhere to federal and state laws related to the federal work authorization program E-Verify.

Total Funds	$20,000
State Funds	$20,000
State General Funds	$20,000

4.4. Legislative Services

Purpose: The purpose of this appropriation is to analyze proposed legislation affecting state retirement systems for fiscal impact and review actuarial investigations and to prepare fiscal notes upon request on other legislation having a significant impact on state revenues and/or expenditures.

Total Funds	$251,872
State Funds	$251,872
State General Funds	$251,872

The above amounts include the following adjustments, additions, and deletions to the previous appropriations act (as amended):

	State Funds	Total Funds
Amount from previous Appropriations Act (HB 106) as amended	$248,987	$248,987
Increase funds to reflect an adjustment in the employer share of the Employees' Retirement System.	$2,885	$2,885
Amount appropriated in this Act	$251,872	$251,872

4.5. Statewide Equalized Adjusted Property Tax Digest

Purpose: The purpose of this appropriation is to establish an equalized adjusted property tax digest for each county and for the State as a whole for use in allocating state funds for public school systems and equalizing property tax digests for collection of the State 1/4 mill; to provide the Revenue Commissioner statistical data regarding county Tax Assessor compliance with requirements for both uniformity of assessment and level of assessment; and to establish the appropriate level of assessment for centrally assessed public utility companies.

Total Funds	$2,194,760
State Funds	$2,194,760
State General Funds	$2,194,760

The above amounts include the following adjustments, additions, and deletions to the previous appropriations act (as amended):

	State Funds	Total Funds
Amount from previous Appropriations Act (HB 106) as amended	$2,103,660	$2,103,660
Provide funds for merit-based pay adjustments and employee recruitment and retention initiatives effective July 1, 2014.	$35,000	$35,000
Increase funds to reflect an adjustment in the employer share of the Employees' Retirement System.	$56,100	$56,100
Amount appropriated in this Act	$2,194,760	$2,194,760

Section 5: Appeals, Court of

Total Funds	**$15,185,519**
Other Funds	**$150,000**
Other Funds - Not Specifically Identified	$150,000

State Funds	**$15,035,519**
State General Funds	$15,035,519

5.1. Court of Appeals

Purpose: The purpose of this appropriation is for this court to review and exercise appellate and certiorari jurisdiction pursuant to the Constitution of the State of Georgia, Art. VI, Section V, Para. III, in all cases not reserved to the Supreme Court of Georgia or conferred on other courts by law.

Total Funds	$15,185,519
Other Funds	$150,000
Other Funds - Not Specifically Identified	$150,000
State Funds	$15,035,519
State General Funds	$15,035,519

The above amounts include the following adjustments, additions, and deletions to the previous appropriations act (as amended):

	State Funds	Total Funds
Amount from previous Appropriations Act (HB 106) as amended	$14,441,605	$14,591,605
Provide funds for merit-based pay adjustments and employee recruitment and retention initiatives effective July 1, 2014.	$136,342	$136,342
Increase funds to reflect an adjustment in the employer share of the Employees' Retirement System.	$292,312	$292,312
Reflect an adjustment in TeamWorks billings.	$14,788	$14,788
Increase funds for one documents clerk position.	$52,159	$52,159
Increase funds for two staff attorney positions. *(CC:Increase funds for one staff attorney position.)*	$128,313	$128,313
Eliminate one-time funds for e-voting software.	($30,000)	($30,000)
Amount appropriated in this Act	$15,035,519	$15,185,519

Section 6: Judicial Council

Total Funds	**$17,159,046**
Federal Funds and Grants	**$2,552,935**
Federal Funds Not Specifically Identified	$2,552,935
Other Funds	**$1,144,998**
Agency Funds	$876,093
Other Funds - Not Specifically Identified	$268,905
State Funds	**$13,461,113**
State General Funds	$13,461,113

6.1. Accountability Courts

Purpose: The purpose of this appropriation is to support adult felony drug courts, DUI courts, juvenile drug courts, family dependency treatment courts, and mental health courts, as well as the Judicial Council Accountability Court

Committee. No state funds shall be provided to any accountability court where such court is delinquent in the required reporting and remittance of all fines and fees collected by such court.

Total Funds	$438,057
State Funds	$438,057
State General Funds	$438,057

The above amounts include the following adjustments, additions, and deletions to the previous appropriations act (as amended):

	State Funds	Total Funds
Amount from previous Appropriations Act (HB 106) as amended	$353,015	$353,015
Provide funds for merit-based pay adjustments and employee recruitment and retention initiatives effective July 1, 2014.	$1,822	$1,822
Increase funds to reflect an adjustment in the employer share of the Employees' Retirement System.	$4,414	$4,414
Increase funds for one certification program officer position.	$78,806	$78,806
Amount appropriated in this Act	$438,057	$438,057

6.2. Georgia Office of Dispute Resolution

Purpose: The purpose of this appropriation is to oversee the state's court-connected alternative dispute resolution (ADR) services by promoting the establishment of new ADR court programs, providing support to existing programs, establishing and enforcing qualifications and ethical standards, registering ADR professionals and volunteers, providing training, administering statewide grants, and collecting statistical data to monitor program effectiveness.

Total Funds	$172,890
Other Funds	$172,890
Agency Funds	$172,890

The above amounts include the following adjustments, additions, and deletions to the previous appropriations act (as amended):

	State Funds	Total Funds
Amount from previous Appropriations Act (HB 106) as amended	$0	$172,890
Increase funds to reflect an adjustment in the employer share of the Employees' Retirement System.	$0	$0
Amount appropriated in this Act	$0	$172,890

6.4. Institute of Continuing Judicial Education

Purpose: The purpose of this appropriation is to provide basic training and continuing education for Superior Court Judges, Juvenile Court Judges, State Court Judges, Probate Court Judges, Magistrate Court Judges, Municipal Court Judges, Superior Court Clerks, Juvenile Court Clerks, Municipal Court Clerks, and other court personnel.

Total Funds	$1,174,992

Other Funds	$703,203
Agency Funds	$703,203
State Funds	$471,789
State General Funds	$471,789

The above amounts include the following adjustments, additions, and deletions to the previous appropriations act (as amended):

	State Funds	Total Funds
Amount from previous Appropriations Act (HB 106) as amended	$471,789	$1,174,992
Increase funds for one educational event coordinator position for the training of judges. *(CC:No)*	$0	$0
Amount appropriated in this Act	$471,789	$1,174,992

6.5. Judicial Council

Purpose: The purpose of this appropriation is to support the Administrative Office of the Courts; to support accountability courts and the Judicial Council Accountability Court Committee; to provide administrative support for the councils of the Magistrate Court Judges, the Municipal Court Judges, the Probate Court Judges, and the State Court Judges; to operate the Child Support E-Filing system, the Child Support Guidelines Commission, the Commission on Interpreters, the County and Municipal Probation Advisory Council, the Georgia Commission on Family Violence, and the Children and Family Courts division; and to support the Committee on Justice for Children.

Total Funds	$14,045,401
Federal Funds and Grants	$2,552,935
Federal Funds Not Specifically Identified	$2,552,935
Other Funds	$268,905
Other Funds - Not Specifically Identified	$268,905
State Funds	$11,223,561
State General Funds	$11,223,561

The above amounts include the following adjustments, additions, and deletions to the previous appropriations act (as amended):

	State Funds	Total Funds
Amount from previous Appropriations Act (HB 106) as amended	$10,178,804	$13,000,644
Provide funds for merit-based pay adjustments and employee recruitment and retention initiatives effective July 1, 2014.	$51,889	$51,889
Increase funds to reflect an adjustment in the employer share of the Employees' Retirement System.	$147,851	$147,851
Reflect an adjustment in TeamWorks billings.	($9,750)	($9,750)
Increase funds for a Family Law Information Center in the Pataula Circuit. *(CC:No)*	$0	$0
Increase funds for grants to local organizations for civil legal services to victims of domestic violence. *(CC:Increase funds for grants to local organizations for civil legal services to victims of domestic violence and coordinate with the Criminal Justice Coordinating*	$386,251	$386,251

Council to leverage additional federal and other funds for these services; all funds should support direct services.)		
Increase funds for one executive director position for the Council of Probate Court Judges. *(CC:No)*	$0	$0
Increase funds for operating expenses for regulatory oversight of misdemeanor probation providers.	$66,320	$66,320
Increase funds to reflect an adjustment in the employer share of the Judicial Retirement System.	$395,867	$395,867
Increase funds for a statewide civil e-filing portal for all courts. *(CC:No)*	$0	$0
Increase funds to reflect an adjustment in real estate rentals.	$6,329	$6,329
Amount appropriated in this Act	$11,223,561	$14,045,401

6.6. Judicial Qualifications Commission

Purpose: The purpose of this appropriation is to investigate complaints filed against a judicial officer, impose and recommend disciplinary sanctions against any judicial officer, and when necessary, file formal charges against that officer and provide a formal trial or hearing. The purpose of this appropriation is also to produce formal and informal advisory opinions; provide training and guidance to judicial candidates regarding the Code of Judicial Conduct; and investigate allegations of unethical campaign practices.

Total Funds	$527,706
State Funds	$527,706
State General Funds	$527,706

The above amounts include the following adjustments, additions, and deletions to the previous appropriations act (as amended):

	State Funds	Total Funds
Amount from previous Appropriations Act (HB 106) as amended	$518,504	$518,504
Provide funds for merit-based pay adjustments and employee recruitment and retention initiatives effective July 1, 2014.	$2,694	$2,694
Increase funds to reflect an adjustment in the employer share of the Employees' Retirement System.	$6,508	$6,508
Amount appropriated in this Act	$527,706	$527,706

6.7. Resource Center

Purpose: The purpose of this appropriation is to provide direct representation to death penalty sentenced inmates and to recruit and assist private attorneys to represent plaintiffs in habeas corpus proceedings.

Total Funds	$800,000
State Funds	$800,000
State General Funds	$800,000

Section 7: Juvenile Courts

Total Funds	**$7,476,720**
Federal Funds and Grants	**$447,456**
Federal Funds Not Specifically Identified	$447,456
State Funds	**$7,029,264**
State General Funds	$7,029,264

7.1. Council of Juvenile Court Judges

Purpose: The purpose of this appropriation is for the Council of Juvenile Court Judges to represent all the juvenile judges in Georgia. Jurisdiction in cases involving children includes delinquencies, status offenses, and deprivation.

Total Funds	$1,941,262
Federal Funds and Grants	$447,456
Federal Funds Not Specifically Identified	$447,456
State Funds	$1,493,806
State General Funds	$1,493,806

The above amounts include the following adjustments, additions, and deletions to the previous appropriations act (as amended):

	State Funds	Total Funds
Amount from previous Appropriations Act (HB 106) as amended	$1,483,391	$1,930,847
Provide funds for merit-based pay adjustments and employee recruitment and retention initiatives effective July 1, 2014.	$10,415	$10,415
Amount appropriated in this Act	$1,493,806	$1,941,262

7.2. Grants to Counties for Juvenile Court Judges

Purpose: The purpose of this appropriation is for payment of state funds to circuits to pay for juvenile court judges' salaries.

Total Funds	$5,535,458
State Funds	$5,535,458
State General Funds	$5,535,458

The above amounts include the following adjustments, additions, and deletions to the previous appropriations act (as amended):

	State Funds	Total Funds
Amount from previous Appropriations Act (HB 106) as amended	$5,304,395	$5,304,395
Increase funds to reflect an adjustment in the employer share of the Judicial Retirement System.	$7,505	$7,505
Increase funds for Juvenile Judges' Grants to counties.	$223,558	$223,558
Amount appropriated in this Act	$5,535,458	$5,535,458

Section 8: Prosecuting Attorneys

Total Funds	**$69,002,984**
State Funds	**$67,200,857**
State General Funds	$67,200,857
Intra-State Government Transfers	**$1,802,127**
Other Intra-State Government Payments	$1,802,127

8.1. Council of Superior Court Clerks

Purpose: The purpose of this appropriation is to assist superior court clerks throughout the state in the execution of their duties and to promote and assist in the training of superior court clerks.

Total Funds	$185,580
State Funds	$185,580
State General Funds	$185,580

8.2. District Attorneys

Purpose: The purpose of this appropriation is for the District Attorney to represent the State of Georgia in the trial and appeal of criminal cases in the Superior Court for the judicial circuit and delinquency cases in the juvenile courts per Ga. Const., Art. VI, Sec. VIII. Para. I and OCGA 15-18.

Total Funds	$62,474,790
State Funds	$60,672,663
State General Funds	$60,672,663
Intra-State Government Transfers	$1,802,127
Other Intra-State Government Payments	$1,802,127

The above amounts include the following adjustments, additions, and deletions to the previous appropriations act (as amended):

	State Funds	Total Funds
Amount from previous Appropriations Act (HB 106) as amended	$56,952,881	$58,755,008
Provide funds for merit-based pay adjustments and employee recruitment and retention initiatives effective July 1, 2014.	$434,039	$434,039
Increase funds to reflect an adjustment in the employer share of the Employees' Retirement System.	$882,309	$882,309
Annualize funds for two Assistant District Attorneys to reflect the new judgeships in the Chattahoochee and Oconee Judicial Circuits provided in HB 451 (2013 Session).	$104,522	$104,522
Increase funds for 35 additional assistant district attorneys. *(CC:Increase funds for 15 additional assistant district attorneys.)*	$1,177,230	$1,177,230
Increase funds for personal services to reflect promotional increases for experienced assistant district attorneys.	$867,160	$867,160
Increase funds for travel and training for district attorneys.	$150,000	$150,000

Provide funds for two Assistant District Attorneys to reflect the new judgeships in the Coweta and Waycross Judicial Circuits starting April 1, 2015. *(CC:Provide funds for two assistant district attorneys to reflect the new judgeships in the Coweta and Waycross Judicial Circuits starting January 1, 2015.)*	$104,522	$104,522
Amount appropriated in this Act	$60,672,663	$62,474,790

8.3. Prosecuting Attorney's Council

Purpose: The purpose of this appropriation is to assist Georgia's District Attorneys and State Court Solicitors.

Total Funds	$6,342,614
State Funds	$6,342,614
State General Funds	$6,342,614

The above amounts include the following adjustments, additions, and deletions to the previous appropriations act (as amended):

	State Funds	Total Funds
Amount from previous Appropriations Act (HB 106) as amended	$5,920,071	$5,920,071
Provide funds for merit-based pay adjustments and employee recruitment and retention initiatives effective July 1, 2014.	$34,941	$34,941
Increase funds to reflect an adjustment in the employer share of the Employees' Retirement System.	$275,601	$275,601
Reflect an adjustment in TeamWorks billings.	$15,158	$15,158
Increase funds to reflect an adjustment in risk premiums.	$96,843	$96,843
Increase funds for personal services to reflect promotional increases for experienced attorneys. *(CC:No)*	$0	$0
Amount appropriated in this Act	$6,342,614	$6,342,614

Section 9: Superior Courts

Total Funds	**$64,909,147**
State Funds	**$64,909,147**
State General Funds	$64,909,147

9.1. Council of Superior Court Judges

Purpose: The purpose of this appropriation is for the operations of the Council of Superior Court Judges and is to further the improvement of the Superior Court in the administration of justice through leadership, training, policy development and budgetary and fiscal administration.

Total Funds	$1,353,844
State Funds	$1,353,844
State General Funds	$1,353,844

The above amounts include the following adjustments, additions, and deletions to the previous appropriations act (as amended):		
	State Funds	Total Funds
Amount from previous Appropriations Act (HB 106) as amended	$1,317,131	$1,317,131
Provide funds for merit-based pay adjustments and employee recruitment and retention initiatives effective July 1, 2014.	$11,602	$11,602
Increase funds to reflect an adjustment in the employer share of the Employees' Retirement System.	$25,111	$25,111
Increase funds for operating expenses. *(CC:No)*	$0	$0
Increase funds for personal services for a project coordinator position. *(CC:No)*	$0	$0
Increase funds to reflect an adjustment in the employer share of the State Health Benefit Plan. *(CC:No)*	$0	$0
Amount appropriated in this Act	$1,353,844	$1,353,844

9.2. Judicial Administrative Districts

Purpose: The purpose of this appropriation is to provide regional administrative support to the judges of the superior court. This support includes managing budgets, policy, procedure, and providing a liaison between local and state courts.

Total Funds	$2,500,166
State Funds	$2,500,166
State General Funds	$2,500,166

The above amounts include the following adjustments, additions, and deletions to the previous appropriations act (as amended):		
	State Funds	Total Funds
Amount from previous Appropriations Act (HB 106) as amended	$2,383,335	$2,383,335
Provide funds for merit-based pay adjustments and employee recruitment and retention initiatives effective July 1, 2014.	$20,602	$20,602
Increase funds to reflect an adjustment in the employer share of the Employees' Retirement System.	$46,229	$46,229
Increase funds for operating expenses.	$50,000	$50,000
Increase funds for personal services eliminated in previous budget reductions. *(CC:No)*	$0	$0
Increase funds to reflect an adjustment in the employer share of the State Health Benefit Plan. *(CC:No)*	$0	$0
Amount appropriated in this Act	$2,500,166	$2,500,166

9.3. Superior Court Judges

Purpose: The purpose of this appropriation is to enable Georgia's Superior Courts to be the general jurisdiction trial court and exercise exclusive, constitutional authority over felony cases, divorce, equity and cases regarding title to land, provided that law clerks over the fifty provided by law are to be allocated back to the circuits by caseload ranks.

Total Funds	$61,055,137

State Funds	$61,055,137
State General Funds	$61,055,137

The above amounts include the following adjustments, additions, and deletions to the previous appropriations act (as amended):

	State Funds	Total Funds
Amount from previous Appropriations Act (HB 106) as amended	$58,555,362	$58,555,362
Provide funds for merit-based pay adjustments and employee recruitment and retention initiatives effective July 1, 2014.	$422,572	$422,572
Increase funds to reflect an adjustment in the employer share of the Employees' Retirement System.	$310,583	$310,583
Reflect an adjustment in TeamWorks billings.	$5,423	$5,423
Increase funds for personal services for salary increases for secretaries.	$212,480	$212,480
Increase funds for personal services for two law clerk positions.	$122,472	$122,472
Increase funds to reflect an adjustment in the employer share of the Judicial Retirement System.	$691,149	$691,149
Annualize funds for two new judgeships in the Chattahoochee and Oconee Judicial Circuits provided in HB 451 (2013 Session).	$350,207	$350,207
Increase funds for personal services eliminated in previous budget reductions.	$84,279	$84,279
Eliminate one-time funds for operating expenses for new judgeships in Piedmont and Bell-Forsyth circuits created in SB 356 (2012 Session).	($60,500)	($60,500)
Increase funds to reflect an adjustment in the employer share of the State Health Benefit Plan. *(CC:No)*	$0	$0
Provide funds for two new judgeships in the Coweta and Waycross Judicial Circuits starting April 1, 2015. *(CC:Provide funds for two new judgeships in the Coweta and Waycross Judicial Circuits starting January 1, 2015.)*	$361,110	$361,110
Amount appropriated in this Act	$61,055,137	$61,055,137

Section 10: Supreme Court

Total Funds	**$12,107,848**
Other Funds	**$1,859,823**
Other Funds - Not Specifically Identified	$1,859,823
State Funds	**$10,248,025**
State General Funds	$10,248,025

10.1. Supreme Court of Georgia

Purpose: The purpose of this appropriation is to support the Supreme Court of Georgia which exercises exclusive appellate jurisdiction in all cases involving: the construction of a treaty, the Constitution of the State of Georgia or of the United States, the constitutionality of a law, ordinance, or constitutional

provision that has been drawn in question, and all cases of election contest per Ga. Const. Art. VI, Section VI, Para. II. The purpose of this appropriation is also to support the Supreme Court of Georgia in its exercise of jurisdiction in cases per Ga. Const. Art. VI, Section VI, Para. III and its administration of the Bar Exam and oversight of the Office of Reporter of Decisions.

Total Funds	$12,107,848
Other Funds	$1,859,823
Other Funds - Not Specifically Identified	$1,859,823
State Funds	$10,248,025
State General Funds	$10,248,025

The above amounts include the following adjustments, additions, and deletions to the previous appropriations act (as amended):

	State Funds	Total Funds
Amount from previous Appropriations Act (HB 106) as amended	$9,392,560	$11,252,383
Provide funds for merit-based pay adjustments and employee recruitment and retention initiatives effective July 1, 2014.	$78,892	$78,892
Increase funds to reflect an adjustment in the employer share of the Employees' Retirement System.	$175,267	$175,267
Reflect an adjustment in TeamWorks billings.	$967	$967
Increase funds for contractual services for document destruction.	$27,408	$27,408
Increase funds for contractual services to reflect an adjustment in fees for legal research licensing.	$1,344	$1,344
Increase funds for dues to the National Center for State Courts.	$27,414	$27,414
Increase funds for a one-time purchase of computer software.	$306,785	$306,785
Increase funds for personal services for two staff attorney positions. *(CC:Increase funds for personal services for one staff attorney position.)*	$128,313	$128,313
Increase funds for personal services for one financial services position.	$64,156	$64,156
Annualize funds for one staff attorney position.	$62,357	$62,357
Reduce funds to digitize paper records.	($17,438)	($17,438)
Amount appropriated in this Act	$10,248,025	$12,107,848

Section 11: Accounting Office, State

Total Funds	**$22,236,130**
State Funds	**$5,093,761**
State General Funds	$5,093,761
Intra-State Government Transfers	**$17,142,369**
Other Intra-State Government Payments	$17,142,369

11.1. State Accounting Office

Purpose: The purpose of this appropriation is to prescribe statewide accounting policies, procedures and practices, to provide financial management leadership to state agencies, to prepare and provide annual financial statements, and other statutory or regulatory reports, to develop and maintain the state's financial and human capital management systems, and to improve the accountability and efficiency of various financial and operational processes.

Total Funds	$20,885,868
State Funds	$3,743,499
State General Funds	$3,743,499
Intra-State Government Transfers	$17,142,369
Other Intra-State Government Payments	$17,142,369

The above amounts include the following adjustments, additions, and deletions to the previous appropriations act (as amended):

	State Funds	Total Funds
Amount from previous Appropriations Act (HB 106) as amended	$3,626,413	$20,038,915
Provide funds for merit-based pay adjustments and employee recruitment and retention initiatives effective July 1, 2014.	$27,540	$27,540
Increase funds to reflect an adjustment in the employer share of the Employees' Retirement System.	$89,546	$89,546
Increase billings for TeamWorks Financials to reflect statewide adjustments.	$0	$729,867
Amount appropriated in this Act	$3,743,499	$20,885,868

The following appropriations are for agencies attached for administrative purposes.

11.2. Georgia Government Transparency and Campaign Finance Commission

Purpose: The purpose of this appropriation is to protect the integrity of the democratic process and ensure compliance by candidates, public officials, non-candidate campaign committees, lobbyists and vendors with Georgia's Campaign and Financial Disclosure requirements.

Total Funds	$1,350,262
State Funds	$1,350,262
State General Funds	$1,350,262

The above amounts include the following adjustments, additions, and deletions to the previous appropriations act (as amended):

	State Funds	Total Funds
Amount from previous Appropriations Act (HB 106) as amended	$1,324,736	$1,324,736
Provide funds for merit-based pay adjustments and employee recruitment and retention initiatives effective July 1, 2014.	$6,832	$6,832
Increase funds to reflect an adjustment in the employer	$18,694	$18,694

share of the Employees' Retirement System.		
Amount appropriated in this Act	$1,350,262	$1,350,262

Section 12: Administrative Services, Department of

Total Funds	**$199,796,433**
Other Funds	**$24,528,630**
Agency Funds	$16,318,336
Other Funds - Not Specifically Identified	$8,210,294
State Funds	**$4,878,113**
State General Funds	$4,878,113
Intra-State Government Transfers	**$170,389,690**
Other Intra-State Government Payments	$8,654,485
Self Insurance Trust Fund Payments	$161,735,205

The Department is authorized to assess no more than $73.00 per budgeted position for the cost of departmental operations and may roll forward any unexpended prior years Merit System Assessment balance to be expended in the current fiscal year.

12.1. Departmental Administration

Purpose: The purpose of this appropriation is to provide administrative support to all department programs.

Total Funds	$5,729,732
Other Funds	$5,729,732
Other Funds - Not Specifically Identified	$5,729,732

12.2. Fleet Management

Purpose: The purpose of this appropriation is to provide and manage a fuel card program for state and local governments, to implement the Motor Vehicle Contract Maintenance program to provide repairs, roadside assistance, and maintenance for state and local government fleets, and to establish a motor pool for traveling state employees.

Total Funds	$1,020,141
Other Funds	$1,020,141
Other Funds - Not Specifically Identified	$1,020,141

12.3. Human Resources Administration

Purpose: The purpose of this appropriation is to provide centralized services for statewide human resources in support of state agencies, the State Personnel Board, and employees; develop human resource policies, create job descriptions and classification, develop fair and consistent compensation practices, and administer the employee benefits program.

Total Funds	$8,654,485

Intra-State Government Transfers	$8,654,485
Other Intra-State Government Payments	$8,654,485

12.4. Risk Management

Purpose: The purpose of this appropriation is to administer a liability insurance program to protect state government and employees from work-related claims, to provide indemnification funds for public officers and public school personnel in case of disability or death, to identify and control risks and hazards to minimize loss, to insure state-owned buildings and property against damage or destruction, to partner with the Department of Labor in administering unemployment claims, and to administer the Workers' Compensation Program.

Total Funds	$162,735,205
State Funds	$1,000,000
State General Funds	$1,000,000
Intra-State Government Transfers	$161,735,205
Self Insurance Trust Fund Payments	$161,735,205

The above amounts include the following adjustments, additions, and deletions to the previous appropriations act (as amended):

	State Funds	Total Funds
Amount from previous Appropriations Act (HB 106) as amended	$1,000,000	$162,735,205
Increase funds to reflect an adjustment to the General Liability Trust Fund premium.	$0	$5,500,000
Reduce funds to reflect an adjustment to the Unemployment Insurance Trust Fund premium.	$0	($5,500,000)
Amount appropriated in this Act	$1,000,000	$162,735,205

12.5. State Purchasing

Purpose: The purpose of this appropriation is to publicize government contract opportunities on the Georgia Procurement Registry; to maintain a comprehensive listing of all agency contracts; to manage bids, Requests For Proposals, and Requests For Quotes; to provide and oversee Purchasing Cards; to conduct reverse auctions for non-construction goods and services valued above $100,000; to leverage the state's purchasing power in obtaining contracts; to train vendors seeking contract opportunities; and to certify Small and/or Minority Business Vendors.

Total Funds	$10,912,634
Other Funds	$10,912,634
Agency Funds	$10,912,634

The above amounts include the following adjustments, additions, and deletions to the previous appropriations act (as amended):

	State Funds	Total Funds
Amount from previous Appropriations Act (HB 106) as amended	$0	$10,719,374
The Department is authorized to retain only	$0	$193,260

$10,912,634 for Purchasing and $2,125,974 for Departmental Administration, and shall provide a payment of at least $1,006,740 to the Office of the State Treasurer. All additional funds collected by the program shall be remitted to the Office of the State Treasurer by the end of the fiscal year.		
Amount appropriated in this Act	$0	$10,912,634

12.6. Surplus Property

Purpose: The purpose of this appropriation is to reduce cost through maximization of the useful life of state-owned equipment and redistribution of property to state and local governments, qualifying non-profits, and to the public through auction.

Total Funds	$1,460,421
Other Funds	$1,460,421
Other Funds - Not Specifically Identified	$1,460,421

The following appropriations are for agencies attached for administrative purposes.

12.7. Certificate of Need Appeal Panel

Purpose: The purpose of this appropriation is to review decisions made by the Department of Community Health on Certificate of Need applications.

Total Funds	$39,506
State Funds	$39,506
State General Funds	$39,506

12.8. Office of State Administrative Hearings

Purpose: The purpose of this appropriation is to provide an independent forum for the impartial and timely resolution of disputes between the public and state agencies, and to create and provide necessary funding for an independent trial court with concurrent jurisdiction with the superior courts of Georgia which will address tax disputes involving the Department of Revenue.

Total Funds	$4,300,552
Other Funds	$1,300,805
Agency Funds	$1,300,805
State Funds	$2,999,747
State General Funds	$2,999,747

The above amounts include the following adjustments, additions, and deletions to the previous appropriations act (as amended):

	State Funds	Total Funds
Amount from previous Appropriations Act (HB 106) as amended	$2,890,660	$4,191,465
Provide funds for merit-based pay adjustments and employee recruitment and retention initiatives effective July 1, 2014.	$19,547	$19,547

Increase funds to reflect an adjustment in the employer share of the Employees' Retirement System.	$52,622	$52,622
Increase funds for the Georgia Tax Tribunal for operating expenses.	$36,918	$36,918
Amount appropriated in this Act	$2,999,747	$4,300,552

12.9. Office of the State Treasurer

Purpose: The purpose of this appropriation is to set cash management policies for state agencies; assist agencies with bank services and accounts; monitor agency deposits and disbursement patterns; to invest funds for state and local entities; to track warrants, fund agency allotments, and pay state debt service; and to manage state revenue collections; and to manage the Path2College 529 Plan.

Total Funds	$4,104,897
Other Funds	$4,104,897
Agency Funds	$4,104,897

12.10. Payments to Georgia Aviation Authority

Purpose: The purpose of this appropriation is to provide oversight and efficient operation of state aircraft and aviation operations to ensure the safety of state air travelers and aviation property.

Total Funds	$838,860
State Funds	$838,860
State General Funds	$838,860

The above amounts include the following adjustments, additions, and deletions to the previous appropriations act (as amended):

	State Funds	Total Funds
Amount from previous Appropriations Act (HB 106) as amended	$959,926	$959,926
Provide funds for merit-based pay adjustments and employee recruitment and retention initiatives effective July 1, 2014.	$1,792	$1,792
Increase funds to reflect an adjustment in the employer share of the Employees' Retirement System.	$3,142	$3,142
Reduce funds to reflect projected expenditures.	($126,000)	($126,000)
Amount appropriated in this Act	$838,860	$838,860

Section 13: Agriculture, Department of

Total Funds	**$49,988,777**
Federal Funds and Grants	**$6,837,012**
Federal Funds Not Specifically Identified	$6,837,012
Other Funds	**$636,171**
Other Funds - Not Specifically Identified	$636,171
State Funds	**$42,515,594**
State General Funds	$42,515,594

13.1. Athens and Tifton Veterinary Laboratories

Purpose: The purpose of this appropriation is to provide payment to the Board of Regents for diagnostic laboratory testing, for veterinary consultation and assistance, for disease surveillance, and for outreach to veterinarians, animal industries, and pet owners within the State of Georgia.

Total Funds	$2,910,273
State Funds	$2,910,273
State General Funds	$2,910,273

The above amounts include the following adjustments, additions, and deletions to the previous appropriations act (as amended):

	State Funds	Total Funds
Amount from previous Appropriations Act (HB 106) as amended	$2,855,370	$2,855,370
Provide funds for merit-based pay adjustments and employee recruitment and retention initiatives effective July 1, 2014.	$18,900	$18,900
Increase funds to reflect an adjustment in the employer share of the Teachers' Retirement System from 12.28% to 13.15%.	$13,635	$13,635
Increase funds for the employer share of health insurance ($11,436) and retiree health benefits ($10,932).	$22,368	$22,368
Amount appropriated in this Act	$2,910,273	$2,910,273

13.2. Consumer Protection

Purpose: The purpose of this appropriation is to provide for public health and safety by monitoring, inspecting and regulating the cultivation, processing, and production of livestock, meat, poultry, and other food products; by inspecting establishments that sell food for offsite consumption, food warehouses, wholesale and mobile meat and seafood vendors, dairy farms, and food banks; by certifying organic products, shellfish, and bottled water; by monitoring, inspecting, and regulating the companion animal, bird, and equine industries (including reports of abuse by private owners); by monitoring, inspecting, and regulating the plant and apiary industries including performing phytosanitary inspections; by monitoring, inspecting, and regulating the pesticide and wood treatment industries; and by monitoring, inspecting, and regulating animal feed, pet food, and grains. The purpose of this appropriation is also to ensure accurate commercial transactions by monitoring, inspecting, and regulating weights and measures and fuel sales.

Total Funds	$32,520,609
Federal Funds and Grants	$6,837,012
Federal Funds Not Specifically Identified	$6,837,012
Other Funds	$225,000
Other Funds - Not Specifically Identified	$225,000
State Funds	$25,458,597
State General Funds	$25,458,597

The above amounts include the following adjustments, additions, and deletions to the previous appropriations act (as amended):		
	State Funds	Total Funds
Amount from previous Appropriations Act (HB 106) as amended	$23,607,081	$30,324,952
Provide funds for merit-based pay adjustments and employee recruitment and retention initiatives effective July 1, 2014.	$157,962	$157,962
Increase funds to reflect an adjustment in the employer share of the Employees' Retirement System.	$414,615	$414,615
Reflect an adjustment in TeamWorks billings.	$18,024	$18,024
Reflect a change in the program purpose statement. *(CC:Yes)*	$0	$0
Increase funds for personal services to reflect Food Safety Inspector salary adjustments ($388,702) and to fill eight vacancies ($336,134). *(CC:Increase funds for personal services to reflect Consumer Protection inspector salary adjustments ($724,781) and to fill eight vacancies ($336,134).)*	$1,060,915	$1,405,056
Utilize existing funds to contract with the Department of Revenue to audit GATE program compliance. *(CC:Reflect in Marketing and Promotion.)*	$0	$0
Increase funds for food safety education.	$200,000	$200,000
Amount appropriated in this Act	$25,458,597	$32,520,609

13.3. Departmental Administration

Purpose: The purpose of this appropriation is to provide administrative support for all programs of the department.

Total Funds	$4,524,816
State Funds	$4,524,816
State General Funds	$4,524,816

The above amounts include the following adjustments, additions, and deletions to the previous appropriations act (as amended):		
	State Funds	Total Funds
Amount from previous Appropriations Act (HB 106) as amended	$4,418,249	$4,418,249
Provide funds for merit-based pay adjustments and employee recruitment and retention initiatives effective July 1, 2014.	$30,565	$30,565
Increase funds to reflect an adjustment in the employer share of the Employees' Retirement System.	$73,835	$73,835
Reflect an adjustment in TeamWorks billings.	$2,167	$2,167
Transfer funds to consolidate administrative functions associated with the transfer of the Soil and Water Conservation Commission. *(CC:No)*	$0	$0
Amount appropriated in this Act	$4,524,816	$4,524,816

13.4. Marketing and Promotion

Purpose: The purpose of this appropriation is to manage the state's farmers markets, to promote Georgia's agricultural products domestically and

internationally, to administer relevant certification marks, to provide poultry and livestock commodity data, to administer surety bonds, to provide information to the public, and to publish the Market Bulletin.

Total Funds	$6,236,403
Other Funds	$411,171
Other Funds - Not Specifically Identified	$411,171
State Funds	$5,825,232
State General Funds	$5,825,232

The above amounts include the following adjustments, additions, and deletions to the previous appropriations act (as amended):

	State Funds	Total Funds
Amount from previous Appropriations Act (HB 106) as amended	$5,624,365	$6,035,536
Provide funds for merit-based pay adjustments and employee recruitment and retention initiatives effective July 1, 2014.	$30,087	$30,087
Increase funds to reflect an adjustment in the employer share of the Employees' Retirement System.	$68,156	$68,156
Reflect an adjustment in TeamWorks billings.	$2,624	$2,624
Provide marketing funds for the Georgia Grown program.	$100,000	$100,000
Utilize existing funds to contract with the Department of Revenue to assure new GATE program compliance. *(CC:Yes)*	$0	$0
Amount appropriated in this Act	$5,825,232	$6,236,403

13.5. Poultry Veterinary Diagnostic Labs

Purpose: The purpose of this appropriation is to pay for operation of the Poultry Diagnostic Veterinary Labs, which conduct disease diagnoses and monitoring.

Total Funds	$2,830,399
State Funds	$2,830,399
State General Funds	$2,830,399

The above amounts include the following adjustments, additions, and deletions to the previous appropriations act (as amended):

	State Funds	Total Funds
Amount from previous Appropriations Act (HB 106) as amended	$2,680,399	$2,680,399
Increase funds for new lab operations.	$150,000	$150,000
Amount appropriated in this Act	$2,830,399	$2,830,399

13.6. Soil and Water Conservation

Purpose: The purpose of this appropriation is to protect, conserve, and improve the soil and water resources of the State of Georgia by increasing the uniformity and efficiency of agricultural water irrigation systems, by providing grants to encourage the reduction of erosion and other non-point source pollution from agricultural lands, by providing technical assistance and

teaching best management practices on erosion and sedimentation control to landowners and local governments, by certifying erosion and sedimentation control personnel and plans, by inspecting, maintaining, and providing assistance to the owners of USDA flood control structures, and by providing funds for planning and research on water management, erosion, and sedimentation control.

Total Funds $0

The above amounts include the following adjustments, additions, and deletions to the previous appropriations act (as amended):

	State Funds	Total Funds
Amount from previous Appropriations Act (HB 106) as amended	$0	$0
Provide funds for merit-based pay adjustments and employee recruitment and retention initiatives effective July 1, 2014.	$0	$0
Increase funds to reflect an adjustment in the employer share of the Employees' Retirement System.	$0	$0
Reflect an adjustment in TeamWorks billings.	$0	$0
Transfer funds and 28 positions from the Soil and Water Conservation Commission to consolidate operations with the Department of Agriculture. *(CC:No)*	$0	$0
Amount appropriated in this Act	$0	$0

The following appropriations are for agencies attached for administrative purposes.

13.7. Payments to Georgia Agricultural Exposition Authority

Purpose: The purpose of this appropriation is to reduce the rates charged by the Georgia Agricultural Exposition Authority for youth and livestock events.

Total Funds $966,277
State Funds $966,277
State General Funds $966,277

The above amounts include the following adjustments, additions, and deletions to the previous appropriations act (as amended):

	State Funds	Total Funds
Amount from previous Appropriations Act (HB 106) as amended	$954,918	$954,918
Increase funds to reflect an adjustment in the employer share of the Employees' Retirement System.	$11,359	$11,359
Amount appropriated in this Act	$966,277	$966,277

Section 14: Banking and Finance, Department of

Total Funds **$11,669,059**
State Funds **$11,669,059**
State General Funds $11,669,059

14.1. Consumer Protection and Assistance

Purpose: The purpose of this appropriation is to provide legal advice and legislative drafting support for the Commissioner and staff.

Total Funds	$227,776
State Funds	$227,776
State General Funds	$227,776

The above amounts include the following adjustments, additions, and deletions to the previous appropriations act (as amended):

	State Funds	Total Funds
Amount from previous Appropriations Act (HB 106) as amended	$222,101	$222,101
Provide funds for merit-based pay adjustments and employee recruitment and retention initiatives effective July 1, 2014.	$1,406	$1,406
Increase funds to reflect an adjustment in the employer share of the Employees' Retirement System.	$4,269	$4,269
Amount appropriated in this Act	$227,776	$227,776

14.2. Departmental Administration

Purpose: The purpose of this appropriation is to provide administrative support to all department programs.

Total Funds	$2,047,883
State Funds	$2,047,883
State General Funds	$2,047,883

The above amounts include the following adjustments, additions, and deletions to the previous appropriations act (as amended):

	State Funds	Total Funds
Amount from previous Appropriations Act (HB 106) as amended	$1,999,605	$1,999,605
Provide funds for merit-based pay adjustments and employee recruitment and retention initiatives effective July 1, 2014.	$12,991	$12,991
Increase funds to reflect an adjustment in the employer share of the Employees' Retirement System.	$33,539	$33,539
Reflect an adjustment in TeamWorks billings.	$1,748	$1,748
Amount appropriated in this Act	$2,047,883	$2,047,883

14.3. Financial Institution Supervision

Purpose: The purpose of this appropriation is to examine and regulate depository financial institutions, state-chartered banks, trust companies, credit unions, bank holding companies, and international banking organizations; to track performance of financial service providers operating in Georgia, to monitor industry trends, respond to negative trends, and establish operating guidelines; and to collaborate with law enforcement, federal regulators, and other regulatory agencies on examination findings.

Total Funds	$7,409,357
State Funds	$7,409,357

State General Funds $7,409,357

The above amounts include the following adjustments, additions, and deletions to the previous appropriations act (as amended):

	State Funds	Total Funds
Amount from previous Appropriations Act (HB 106) as amended	$7,048,996	$7,048,996
Provide funds for merit-based pay adjustments and employee recruitment and retention initiatives effective July 1, 2014.	$48,817	$48,817
Increase funds to reflect an adjustment in the employer share of the Employees' Retirement System.	$127,043	$127,043
Increase funds for personal services for recruitment and retention of financial examiners.	$184,501	$184,501
Amount appropriated in this Act	$7,409,357	$7,409,357

14.4. Non-Depository Financial Institution Supervision

Purpose: The purpose of this appropriation is to protect consumers from unfair, deceptive, or fraudulent residential mortgage lending practices and money service businesses, protect consumers by licensing, regulating, and enforcing applicable laws and regulations, and provide efficient and flexible application, registrations, and notification procedures for non-depository financial institutions.

Total Funds $1,984,043

State Funds $1,984,043

State General Funds $1,984,043

The above amounts include the following adjustments, additions, and deletions to the previous appropriations act (as amended):

	State Funds	Total Funds
Amount from previous Appropriations Act (HB 106) as amended	$1,933,113	$1,933,113
Provide funds for merit-based pay adjustments and employee recruitment and retention initiatives effective July 1, 2014.	$12,512	$12,512
Increase funds to reflect an adjustment in the employer share of the Employees' Retirement System.	$38,418	$38,418
Amount appropriated in this Act	$1,984,043	$1,984,043

Section 15: Behavioral Health and Developmental Disabilities, Department of

Total Funds	**$1,168,315,962**
Federal Funds and Grants	**$148,537,528**
Community Mental Health Services Block Grant (CFDA 93.958)	$14,163,709
Medical Assistance Program (CFDA 93.778)	$25,697,365
Prevention and Treatment of Substance Abuse Block Grant (CFDA 93.959)	$47,482,075
Social Services Block Grant (CFDA 93.667)	$40,481,142
Temporary Assistance for Needy Families Block Grant (CFDA 93.558)	$12,096,720

Federal Funds Not Specifically Identified	$8,616,517
Other Funds	**$48,525,299**
Agency Funds	$42,370,292
Other Funds - Not Specifically Identified	$6,155,007
State Funds	**$968,833,425**
State General Funds	$958,578,287
Tobacco Settlement Funds	$10,255,138
Intra-State Government Transfers	**$2,419,710**
Other Intra-State Government Payments	$2,419,710

15.1. Adult Addictive Diseases Services

Purpose: The purpose of this appropriation is to provide a continuum of programs, services and supports for adults who abuse alcohol and other drugs, have a chemical dependency and who need assistance for compulsive gambling.

Total Funds	$89,492,683
Federal Funds and Grants	$44,404,231
Medical Assistance Program (CFDA 93.778)	$200,000
Prevention and Treatment of Substance Abuse Block Grant (CFDA 93.959)	$29,607,511
Social Services Block Grant (CFDA 93.667)	$2,500,000
Temporary Assistance for Needy Families Block Grant (CFDA 93.558)	$12,096,720
Other Funds	$435,203
Agency Funds	$434,903
Other Funds - Not Specifically Identified	$300
State Funds	$44,653,249
State General Funds	$44,653,249

The above amounts include the following adjustments, additions, and deletions to the previous appropriations act (as amended):

	State Funds	Total Funds
Amount from previous Appropriations Act (HB 106) as amended	$44,056,612	$88,368,046
Provide funds for merit-based pay adjustments and employee recruitment and retention initiatives effective July 1, 2014.	$415,784	$415,784
Increase funds to reflect an adjustment in the employer share of the Employees' Retirement System.	$180,853	$180,853
Reflect a change in the program purpose statement. *(CC:Yes)*	$0	$0
Provide service gap funding for 10 beds.	$0	$528,000
Amount appropriated in this Act	$44,653,249	$89,492,683

15.2. Adult Developmental Disabilities Services

Purpose: The purpose of this appropriation is to promote independence of

adults with significant development disabilities through institutional care, community support and respite, job readiness, training, and a crisis and access line.

Total Funds	$348,524,155
Federal Funds and Grants	$42,980,753
Medical Assistance Program (CFDA 93.778)	$12,336,582
Social Services Block Grant (CFDA 93.667)	$30,644,171
Other Funds	$27,931,226
Agency Funds	$26,931,226
Other Funds - Not Specifically Identified	$1,000,000
State Funds	$277,612,176
State General Funds	$267,357,038
Tobacco Settlement Funds	$10,255,138

The above amounts include the following adjustments, additions, and deletions to the previous appropriations act (as amended):

	State Funds	Total Funds
Amount from previous Appropriations Act (HB 106) as amended	$271,822,197	$337,234,176
Provide funds for merit-based pay adjustments and employee recruitment and retention initiatives effective July 1, 2014.	$572,819	$572,819
Increase funds to reflect an adjustment in the employer share of the Employees' Retirement System.	$1,777,154	$1,777,154
Annualize the cost of 250 FY 2014 NOW and COMP waiver slots for the developmentally disabled to meet the requirements of the DOJ Settlement Agreement.	$6,906,153	$6,906,153
Reduce funds to reflect an increase in the Federal Medical Assistance Percentage (FMAP) from 65.84% to 66.69%.	($4,807,810)	($4,807,810)
Reduce funds for Rockdale Cares. *(CC:Yes)*	$0	$0
Increase funds for developmental disabilities consumers in community settings to comply with the requirements of the DOJ Settlement Agreement (excludes waivers).	$1,872,000	$1,872,000
Increase funds for 75 additional slots for the New Options Waiver (NOW) and Comprehensive Waiver (COMP) for the developmentally disabled to meet the requirements of the Department of Justice (DOJ) Settlement Agreement.	$1,620,512	$1,620,512
Utilize enhanced federal participation rate for 175 additional NOW and COMP for the developmentally disabled to meet the requirements of the DOJ Settlement Agreement. *(CC:Yes)*	$0	$0
Provide a 1/2% increase for developmental disabilities providers. *(CC:Increase funds for a 1.5% increase for developmental disabilities providers.)*	$1,958,526	$1,958,526
Increase funds for 64 additional supported employment slots for people with developmental disabilities. *(CC:Increase funds for 50 additional supported employment slots for people with developmental disabilities.)*	$390,625	$390,625

Replace funds.	($4,500,000)	$0
Recognize and execute a Memorandum of Understanding agreement with the Georgia Vocational Rehabilitation Agency ($2,000,000) and receive additional federal funding for supported employment services. *(CC:Yes; Recognize and execute a Memorandum of Understanding agreement with the Georgia Vocational Rehabilitation Agency ($1,000,000) and receive additional federal funding for supported employment services.)*	$0	$1,000,000
Amount appropriated in this Act	$277,612,176	$348,524,155

15.3. Adult Forensic Services

Purpose: The purpose of this appropriation is to provide psychological evaluations of defendants, mental health screening and evaluations, inpatient mental health treatment, competency remediation, forensic evaluation services, and supportive housing for forensic consumers.

Total Funds	$88,730,414
Other Funds	$26,500
Other Funds - Not Specifically Identified	$26,500
State Funds	$88,703,914
State General Funds	$88,703,914

The above amounts include the following adjustments, additions, and deletions to the previous appropriations act (as amended):

	State Funds	Total Funds
Amount from previous Appropriations Act (HB 106) as amended	$79,605,380	$79,631,880
Provide funds for merit-based pay adjustments and employee recruitment and retention initiatives effective July 1, 2014.	$528,754	$528,754
Increase funds to reflect an adjustment in the employer share of the Employees' Retirement System.	$1,169,780	$1,169,780
Transfer funds from the Direct Care Support Services program to properly align budget to expenditures.	$7,400,000	$7,400,000
Amount appropriated in this Act	$88,703,914	$88,730,414

15.4. Adult Mental Health Services

Purpose: The purpose of this appropriation is to provide evaluation, treatment, crisis stabilization, and residential services to facilitate rehabilitation and recovery for adults with mental illnesses.

Total Funds	$363,058,105
Federal Funds and Grants	$14,735,491
Community Mental Health Services Block Grant (CFDA 93.958)	$6,726,178
Medical Assistance Program (CFDA 93.778)	$2,070,420
Federal Funds Not Specifically Identified	$5,938,893
Other Funds	$2,220,095
Agency Funds	$1,130,000

Other Funds - Not Specifically Identified	$1,090,095
State Funds	$346,102,519
State General Funds	$346,102,519

The above amounts include the following adjustments, additions, and deletions to the previous appropriations act (as amended):

	State Funds	Total Funds
Amount from previous Appropriations Act (HB 106) as amended	$306,451,600	$323,407,186
Provide funds for merit-based pay adjustments and employee recruitment and retention initiatives effective July 1, 2014.	$1,579,464	$1,579,464
Increase funds to reflect an adjustment in the employer share of the Employees' Retirement System.	$1,578,851	$1,578,851
Reduce funds to reflect an increase in the FMAP from 65.84% to 66.69%.	($762,618)	($762,618)
Increase funds for growth in Medicaid based on projected need.	$1,250,000	$1,250,000
Increase funds for mental health consumers in community settings to comply with the requirements of the DOJ Settlement Agreement.	$24,083,910	$24,083,910
Transfer funds from the Direct Care Support Services program to properly align budget to expenditures.	$3,944,626	$3,944,626
Transfer funds from the Adult Nursing Home Services program to properly align budget to expenditures.	$7,976,686	$7,976,686
Amount appropriated in this Act	$346,102,519	$363,058,105

15.5. Adult Nursing Home Services

Purpose: The purpose of this appropriation is to provide skilled nursing home services to Georgian's with mental illness, mental retardation or developmental disabilities.

Total Funds	$0

The above amounts include the following adjustments, additions, and deletions to the previous appropriations act (as amended):

	State Funds	Total Funds
Amount from previous Appropriations Act (HB 106) as amended	$7,976,686	$14,306,755
Reduce funds to reflect elimination of program activities.	$0	($6,330,069)
Transfer funds to the Adult Mental Health Services program to properly align budget to expenditures.	($7,976,686)	($7,976,686)
Amount appropriated in this Act	$0	$0

15.6. Child and Adolescent Addictive Diseases Services

Purpose: The purpose of this appropriation is to provide services to children and adolescents for the safe withdrawal from abused substances and promote a transition to productive living.

Total Funds	$11,391,581
Federal Funds and Grants	$8,114,223

Medical Assistance Program (CFDA 93.778)	$236,074
Prevention and Treatment of Substance Abuse Block Grant (CFDA 93.959)	$7,878,149
State Funds	$3,277,358
State General Funds	$3,277,358

The above amounts include the following adjustments, additions, and deletions to the previous appropriations act (as amended):

	State Funds	Total Funds
Amount from previous Appropriations Act (HB 106) as amended	$3,271,577	$11,385,800
Increase funds to reflect an adjustment in the employer share of the Employees' Retirement System.	$5,781	$5,781
Amount appropriated in this Act	$3,277,358	$11,391,581

15.7. Child and Adolescent Developmental Disabilities

Purpose: The purpose of this appropriation is to provide evaluation, residential, support, and education services to promote independence for children and adolescents with developmental disabilities.

Total Funds	$12,411,610
Federal Funds and Grants	$3,588,692
Medical Assistance Program (CFDA 93.778)	$3,588,692
State Funds	$8,822,918
State General Funds	$8,822,918

The above amounts include the following adjustments, additions, and deletions to the previous appropriations act (as amended):

	State Funds	Total Funds
Amount from previous Appropriations Act (HB 106) as amended	$8,612,164	$12,010,856
Provide funds for merit-based pay adjustments and employee recruitment and retention initiatives effective July 1, 2014.	$10,820	$10,820
Increase funds to reflect an adjustment in the employer share of the Employees' Retirement System.	$9,934	$9,934
Provide funds to Emory University School of Medicine for fetal alcohol syndrome screenings and treatment.	$190,000	$380,000
Amount appropriated in this Act	$8,822,918	$12,411,610

15.8. Child and Adolescent Forensic Services

Purpose: The purpose of this appropriation is to provide evaluation, treatment and residential services to children and adolescents clients referred by Georgia's criminal justice or corrections system.

Total Funds	$5,193,233
State Funds	$5,193,233
State General Funds	$5,193,233

The above amounts include the following adjustments, additions, and deletions to the previous appropriations act (as amended):

	State Funds	Total Funds
Amount from previous Appropriations Act (HB 106) as amended	$5,146,102	$5,146,102
Provide funds for merit-based pay adjustments and employee recruitment and retention initiatives effective July 1, 2014.	$13,443	$13,443
Increase funds to reflect an adjustment in the employer share of the Employees' Retirement System.	$33,688	$33,688
Amount appropriated in this Act	$5,193,233	$5,193,233

15.9. Child and Adolescent Mental Health Services

Purpose: The purpose of this appropriation is to provide evaluation, treatment, crisis stabilization, and residential services to children and adolescents with mental illness.

Total Funds	$62,226,055
Federal Funds and Grants	$10,324,515
Community Mental Health Services Block Grant (CFDA 93.958)	$7,437,531
Medical Assistance Program (CFDA 93.778)	$2,886,984
Other Funds	$2,669,781
Agency Funds	$85,000
Other Funds - Not Specifically Identified	$2,584,781
State Funds	$49,231,759
State General Funds	$49,231,759

The above amounts include the following adjustments, additions, and deletions to the previous appropriations act (as amended):

	State Funds	Total Funds
Amount from previous Appropriations Act (HB 106) as amended	$74,968,576	$87,962,872
Provide funds for merit-based pay adjustments and employee recruitment and retention initiatives effective July 1, 2014.	$35,290	$35,290
Increase funds to reflect an adjustment in the employer share of the Employees' Retirement System.	$108,136	$108,136
Transfer funds to the Department of Community Health (DCH) for foster care and adoption assistance members who will be served through a care management organization (CMO).	($24,819,209)	($24,819,209)
Reduce funds to reflect an increase in the Federal Medical Assistance Percentage (FMAP) from 65.84% to 66.69%.	($1,061,034)	($1,061,034)
Amount appropriated in this Act	$49,231,759	$62,226,055

15.10. Departmental Administration - Behavioral Health

Purpose: The purpose of this appropriation is to provide administrative support for all mental health, developmental disabilities and addictive diseases programs of the department.

Total Funds	$48,920,969

Federal Funds and Grants	$11,715,584
Medical Assistance Program (CFDA 93.778)	$4,378,613
Social Services Block Grant (CFDA 93.667)	$7,336,971
Other Funds	$22,133
Agency Funds	$22,133
State Funds	$37,183,252
State General Funds	$37,183,252

The above amounts include the following adjustments, additions, and deletions to the previous appropriations act (as amended):

	State Funds	Total Funds
Amount from previous Appropriations Act (HB 106) as amended	$36,747,126	$48,484,843
Provide funds for merit-based pay adjustments and employee recruitment and retention initiatives effective July 1, 2014.	$172,581	$172,581
Increase funds to reflect an adjustment in the employer share of the Employees' Retirement System.	$303,699	$303,699
Reflect an adjustment in TeamWorks billings.	($40,154)	($40,154)
By July 1, 2014, the Department shall provide a report to the Georgia General Assembly with an actionable plan to create a third party cooperative arrangement with the Georgia Vocational Rehabilitation Agency in order to draw down additional federal funds. *(CC:Yes; By January 1, 2015, the Department shall provide a report to the Georgia General Assembly with an actionable plan to create third party cooperative arrangements with the Department of Behavioral Health and Developmental Disabilities, the University System of Georgia, the Technical College System of Georgia and the Georgia Student Finance Commission to maximize financial assistance for vocational rehabilitation clients.)*	$0	$0
Amount appropriated in this Act	$37,183,252	$48,920,969

15.11. Direct Care Support Services

Purpose: The purpose of this appropriation is to operate five state-owned and operated hospitals.

Total Funds	$124,553,583
Other Funds	$15,220,361
Agency Funds	$13,767,030
Other Funds - Not Specifically Identified	$1,453,331
State Funds	$106,913,512
State General Funds	$106,913,512
Intra-State Government Transfers	$2,419,710
Other Intra-State Government Payments	$2,419,710

The above amounts include the following adjustments, additions, and deletions to the previous appropriations act (as amended):

	State Funds	Total Funds
Amount from previous Appropriations Act (HB 106) as amended	$116,294,777	$133,934,848
Provide funds for merit-based pay adjustments and employee recruitment and retention initiatives effective July 1, 2014.	$740,882	$740,882
Increase funds to reflect an adjustment in the employer share of the Employees' Retirement System.	$1,722,479	$1,722,479
Transfer funds to the Adult Forensic Services program to properly align budget to expenditures.	($7,400,000)	($7,400,000)
Transfer funds to the Adult Mental Health Services program to properly align budget to expenditures.	($3,944,626)	($3,944,626)
Reduce contract funds for technical assistance, training and monitoring in state hospitals.	($500,000)	($500,000)
Amount appropriated in this Act	$106,913,512	$124,553,583

15.12. Substance Abuse Prevention

Purpose: The purpose of this appropriation is to promote the health and well-being of children, youth, families and communities through preventing the use and/or abuse of alcohol, tobacco and drugs.

Total Funds	$10,230,543
Federal Funds and Grants	$9,996,415
Prevention and Treatment of Substance Abuse Block Grant (CFDA 93.959)	$9,996,415
State Funds	$234,128
State General Funds	$234,128

The above amounts include the following adjustments, additions, and deletions to the previous appropriations act (as amended):

	State Funds	Total Funds
Amount from previous Appropriations Act (HB 106) as amended	$233,552	$10,229,967
Provide funds for merit-based pay adjustments and employee recruitment and retention initiatives effective July 1, 2014.	$193	$193
Increase funds to reflect an adjustment in the employer share of the Employees' Retirement System.	$383	$383
Amount appropriated in this Act	$234,128	$10,230,543

The following appropriations are for agencies attached for administrative purposes.

15.13. Georgia Council on Developmental Disabilities

Purpose: The purpose of this appropriation is to promote quality services and support for people with developmental disabilities and their families.

Total Funds	$2,921,777
Federal Funds and Grants	$2,677,624
Federal Funds Not Specifically Identified	$2,677,624

State Funds	$244,153
State General Funds	$244,153

The above amounts include the following adjustments, additions, and deletions to the previous appropriations act (as amended):

	State Funds	Total Funds
Amount from previous Appropriations Act (HB 106) as amended	$144,153	$2,821,777
Provide funds to Unlock the Waiting List for 64 additional supported employment slots for people with developmental disabilities. *(CC:Recognize in the Adult Developmental Disabilities Services program.)*	$0	$0
Increase funds for Inclusive Post-Secondary Education (IPSE) for disabled young adults.	$100,000	$100,000
Amount appropriated in this Act	$244,153	$2,921,777

15.14. Sexual Offender Review Board

Purpose: The purpose of this appropriation is to protect Georgia's children by identifying convicted sexual offenders that present the greatest risk of sexually reoffending.

Total Funds	$661,254
State Funds	$661,254
State General Funds	$661,254

The above amounts include the following adjustments, additions, and deletions to the previous appropriations act (as amended):

	State Funds	Total Funds
Amount from previous Appropriations Act (HB 106) as amended	$645,407	$645,407
Provide funds for merit-based pay adjustments and employee recruitment and retention initiatives effective July 1, 2014.	$3,484	$3,484
Increase funds to reflect an adjustment in the employer share of the Employees' Retirement System.	$12,363	$12,363
Amount appropriated in this Act	$661,254	$661,254

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Total Funds	**$250,502,286**
Federal Funds and Grants	**$172,892,464**
Federal Funds Not Specifically Identified	$172,892,464
Other Funds	**$13,180,869**
Agency Funds	$55,284
Other Funds - Not Specifically Identified	$13,125,585
State Funds	**$64,428,953**
State General Funds	$64,428,953

16.1. Building Construction

Purpose: The purpose of this appropriation is to maintain up-to-date minimum building construction standards for all new structures built in the state; to inspect factory built (modular) buildings to ensure Georgia's minimum construction codes are met; to review proposed enhancements to local government construction codes; and to provide professional training to building inspectors and builders on Georgia's construction codes.

Total Funds	$573,714
Federal Funds and Grants	$75,116
Federal Funds Not Specifically Identified	$75,116
Other Funds	$257,804
Other Funds - Not Specifically Identified	$257,804
State Funds	$240,794
State General Funds	$240,794

The above amounts include the following adjustments, additions, and deletions to the previous appropriations act (as amended):

	State Funds	Total Funds
Amount from previous Appropriations Act (HB 106) as amended	$230,652	$563,572
Provide funds for merit-based pay adjustments and employee recruitment and retention initiatives effective July 1, 2014.	$1,938	$1,938
Increase funds to reflect an adjustment in the employer share of the Employees' Retirement System.	$8,204	$8,204
Amount appropriated in this Act	$240,794	$573,714

16.2. Coordinated Planning

Purpose: The purpose of this appropriation is to ensure that county and city governments meet the requirements of the Georgia Planning Act of 1989 by establishing standards and procedures for comprehensive plans and reviewing plans submitted by local governments; to provide training and assistance to local governments in completing comprehensive plans for quality growth by offering mapping and Geographical Information System (GIS) services, online planning tools, and resource teams, and funding the regional planning efforts of Regional Commissions; and to provide annexation reports from Georgia cities to the U.S. Census Bureau.

Total Funds	$3,799,087
Other Funds	$126,906
Other Funds - Not Specifically Identified	$126,906
State Funds	$3,672,181
State General Funds	$3,672,181

The above amounts include the following adjustments, additions, and deletions to the previous appropriations act (as amended):

	State Funds	Total Funds
Amount from previous Appropriations Act (HB 106) as amended	$3,630,756	$3,757,662

Provide funds for merit-based pay adjustments and employee recruitment and retention initiatives effective July 1, 2014.	$8,944	$8,944
Increase funds to reflect an adjustment in the employer share of the Employees' Retirement System.	$32,481	$32,481
Replace funds. *(CC:No)*	$0	$0
Amount appropriated in this Act	$3,672,181	$3,799,087

16.3. Departmental Administration

Purpose: The purpose of this appropriation is to provide administrative support for all programs of the department.

Total Funds	$6,557,530
Federal Funds and Grants	$3,216,000
Federal Funds Not Specifically Identified	$3,216,000
Other Funds	$2,224,681
Other Funds - Not Specifically Identified	$2,224,681
State Funds	$1,116,849
State General Funds	$1,116,849

The above amounts include the following adjustments, additions, and deletions to the previous appropriations act (as amended):

	State Funds	Total Funds
Amount from previous Appropriations Act (HB 106) as amended	$1,099,912	$6,540,593
Provide funds for merit-based pay adjustments and employee recruitment and retention initiatives effective July 1, 2014.	$862	$862
Increase funds to reflect an adjustment in the employer share of the Employees' Retirement System.	$17,725	$17,725
Reflect an adjustment in TeamWorks billings.	($1,650)	($1,650)
Amount appropriated in this Act	$1,116,849	$6,557,530

16.4. Federal Community and Economic Development Programs

Purpose: The purpose of this appropriation is to administer federal grant and loan programs to promote volunteerism and community and economic development among local governments, development authorities, and private entities.

Total Funds	$54,152,750
Federal Funds and Grants	$52,272,828
Federal Funds Not Specifically Identified	$52,272,828
Other Funds	$305,415
Other Funds - Not Specifically Identified	$305,415
State Funds	$1,574,507
State General Funds	$1,574,507

The above amounts include the following adjustments, additions, and deletions to the previous appropriations act (as amended):

	State Funds	Total Funds
Amount from previous Appropriations Act (HB 106) as amended	$1,532,915	$54,111,158
Provide funds for merit-based pay adjustments and employee recruitment and retention initiatives effective July 1, 2014.	$10,121	$10,121
Increase funds to reflect an adjustment in the employer share of the Employees' Retirement System.	$31,471	$31,471
Amount appropriated in this Act	$1,574,507	$54,152,750

16.5. Homeownership Programs

Purpose: The purpose of this appropriation is to expand the supply of affordable housing through rehabilitation and construction financing, and to promote homeownership for low and moderate- income individuals by providing sustainable housing grants to local governments, administering mortgage and down payment assistance programs for low and moderate income homebuyers, and offering homeownership counseling and home buyer education programs through a partnership with private providers.

Total Funds	$5,247,652
Federal Funds and Grants	$474,298
Federal Funds Not Specifically Identified	$474,298
Other Funds	$4,773,354
Other Funds - Not Specifically Identified	$4,773,354

16.6. Regional Services

Purpose: The purpose of this appropriation is to promote access to Department services and assistance through a statewide network of regional representatives, to provide technical assistance and grants to local communities to achieve goals relating to housing and community and economic development projects and services that are in-line with the community's comprehensive plan, and to develop leadership infrastructure across local governments.

Total Funds	$1,329,194
Federal Funds and Grants	$108,000
Federal Funds Not Specifically Identified	$108,000
Other Funds	$188,650
Other Funds - Not Specifically Identified	$188,650
State Funds	$1,032,544
State General Funds	$1,032,544

The above amounts include the following adjustments, additions, and deletions to the previous appropriations act (as amended):

	State Funds	Total Funds
Amount from previous Appropriations Act (HB 106) as amended	$998,972	$1,295,622
Provide funds for merit-based pay adjustments and employee recruitment and retention initiatives effective	$7,175	$7,175

July 1, 2014.		
Increase funds to reflect an adjustment in the employer share of the Employees' Retirement System.	$26,397	$26,397
Amount appropriated in this Act	$1,032,544	$1,329,194

16.7. Rental Housing Programs

Purpose: The purpose of this appropriation is to provide affordable rental housing to very low, and moderate-income households by allocating federal and state housing tax credits on a competitive basis, by administering low-interest loans for affordable rental housing, by researching affordable housing issues, and by providing tenant-based assistance to low-income individuals and families allowing them to rent safe, decent, and sanitary dwelling units in the private rental market.

Total Funds	$118,940,343
Federal Funds and Grants	$114,948,262
Federal Funds Not Specifically Identified	$114,948,262
Other Funds	$3,992,081
Other Funds - Not Specifically Identified	$3,992,081

16.8. Research and Surveys

Purpose: The purpose of this appropriation is to conduct surveys and collect financial and management data from local governments and authorities in accordance with Georgia law.

Total Funds	$388,430
State Funds	$388,430
State General Funds	$388,430

The above amounts include the following adjustments, additions, and deletions to the previous appropriations act (as amended):

	State Funds	Total Funds
Amount from previous Appropriations Act (HB 106) as amended	$375,887	$375,887
Provide funds for merit-based pay adjustments and employee recruitment and retention initiatives effective July 1, 2014.	$2,730	$2,730
Increase funds to reflect an adjustment in the employer share of the Employees' Retirement System.	$9,813	$9,813
Amount appropriated in this Act	$388,430	$388,430

16.9. Special Housing Initiatives

Purpose: The purpose of this appropriation is to fund the State Housing Trust Fund; to provide grants for providers of shelter and services to the homeless; to administer loans and grants for affordable housing; to offer local communities collaboration and technical assistance in the development and implementation of an affordable housing plan; and to provide for other special housing initiatives.

Total Funds	$5,503,057

Federal Funds and Grants	$1,702,960
Federal Funds Not Specifically Identified	$1,702,960
Other Funds	$837,205
Other Funds - Not Specifically Identified	$837,205
State Funds	$2,962,892
State General Funds	$2,962,892

16.10. State Community Development Programs

Purpose: The purpose of this appropriation is to assist Georgia cities, small towns, and neighborhoods in the development of their core commercial areas, and to champion new development opportunities for rural Georgia.

Total Funds	$805,597
Other Funds	$55,284
Agency Funds	$55,284
State Funds	$750,313
State General Funds	$750,313

The above amounts include the following adjustments, additions, and deletions to the previous appropriations act (as amended):

	State Funds	Total Funds
Amount from previous Appropriations Act (HB 106) as amended	$731,223	$786,507
Provide funds for merit-based pay adjustments and employee recruitment and retention initiatives effective July 1, 2014.	$4,086	$4,086
Increase funds to reflect an adjustment in the employer share of the Employees' Retirement System.	$15,004	$15,004
Amount appropriated in this Act	$750,313	$805,597

16.11. State Economic Development Programs

Purpose: The purpose of this appropriation is to provide grants and loans to local governments and businesses, and to leverage private investment in order to attract and promote economic development and job creation.

Total Funds	$21,424,696
Federal Funds and Grants	$95,000
Federal Funds Not Specifically Identified	$95,000
Other Funds	$240,587
Other Funds - Not Specifically Identified	$240,587
State Funds	$21,089,109
State General Funds	$21,089,109

The above amounts include the following adjustments, additions, and deletions to the previous appropriations act (as amended):

	State Funds	Total Funds
Amount from previous Appropriations Act (HB 106) as amended	$21,083,407	$21,418,994
Provide funds for merit-based pay adjustments and employee recruitment and retention initiatives effective	$554	$554

July 1, 2014.		
Increase funds to reflect an adjustment in the employer share of the Employees' Retirement System.	$5,148	$5,148
Increase funds for four Economic Development Finance Field Specialist positions. *(CC:No)*	$0	$0
Amount appropriated in this Act	$21,089,109	$21,424,696

The following appropriations are for agencies attached for administrative purposes.

16.12. Payments to Georgia Environmental Finance Authority

Purpose: The purpose of this appropriation is to provide funds for water, wastewater, solid waste, energy, and land conservation projects.

Total Funds	$348,495
State Funds	$348,495
State General Funds	$348,495

The above amounts include the following adjustments, additions, and deletions to the previous appropriations act (as amended):

	State Funds	Total Funds
Amount from previous Appropriations Act (HB 106) as amended	$298,495	$298,495
Increase the funds for the Georgia Rural Water Association.	$50,000	$50,000
Amount appropriated in this Act	$348,495	$348,495

16.13. Payments to Georgia Regional Transportation Authority

Purpose: The purpose of this appropriation is to improve Georgia's mobility, air quality, and land use practices by operating the Xpress bus service, conducting transportation improvement studies, producing an annual Air Quality Report, and reviewing Developments of Regional Impact.

Total Funds	$11,252,839
State Funds	$11,252,839
State General Funds	$11,252,839

The above amounts include the following adjustments, additions, and deletions to the previous appropriations act (as amended):

	State Funds	Total Funds
Amount from previous Appropriations Act (HB 106) as amended	$11,165,413	$11,165,413
Provide funds for merit-based pay adjustments and employee recruitment and retention initiatives effective July 1, 2014.	$26,206	$26,206
Increase funds to reflect an adjustment in the employer share of the Employees' Retirement System.	$61,220	$61,220
Amount appropriated in this Act	$11,252,839	$11,252,839

16.14. Payments to OneGeorgia Authority

Purpose: The purpose of this appropriation is to provide funds for the

OneGeorgia Authority.

Total Funds	$20,178,902
Other Funds	$178,902
Other Funds - Not Specifically Identified	$178,902
State Funds	$20,000,000
State General Funds	$20,000,000

The above amounts include the following adjustments, additions, and deletions to the previous appropriations act (as amended):

	State Funds	Total Funds
Amount from previous Appropriations Act (HB 106) as amended	$20,000,000	$20,178,902
Utilize existing funds for special education projects (Total Funds: 100,000). *(CC:Yes)*	$0	$0
Amount appropriated in this Act	$20,000,000	$20,178,902

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Total Funds	**$13,387,306,434**
Federal Funds and Grants	**$6,648,893,592**
Medical Assistance Program (CFDA 93.778)	$6,292,500,754
State Children's Insurance Program (CFDA 93.767)	$330,214,685
Federal Funds Not Specifically Identified	$26,178,153
Other Funds	**$218,956,347**
Agency Funds	$76,971,304
Indigent Care Trust Fund - Public Hospital Authorities	$139,386,524
Other Funds - Not Specifically Identified	$2,598,519
State Funds	**$3,068,589,491**
Hospital Provider Payment	$264,217,234
Nursing Home Provider Fees	$167,756,401
State General Funds	$2,526,647,599
Tobacco Settlement Funds	$109,968,257
Intra-State Government Transfers	**$3,450,867,004**
Health Insurance Payments	$3,170,009,742
Medicaid Services Payments - Other Agencies	$280,857,262

17.1. Departmental Administration and Program Support

Purpose: The purpose of this appropriation is to provide administrative support to all departmental programs.

Total Funds	$354,413,731
Federal Funds and Grants	$266,709,731
Medical Assistance Program (CFDA 93.778)	$240,931,830
State Children's Insurance Program (CFDA 93.767)	$23,856,668
Federal Funds Not Specifically Identified	$1,921,233

Other Funds	$2,498,519
Other Funds - Not Specifically Identified	$2,498,519
State Funds	$66,857,380
State General Funds	$66,857,380
Intra-State Government Transfers	$18,348,101
Health Insurance Payments	$18,348,101

The above amounts include the following adjustments, additions, and deletions to the previous appropriations act (as amended):

	State Funds	Total Funds
Amount from previous Appropriations Act (HB 106) as amended	$65,377,496	$351,118,534
Provide funds for merit-based pay adjustments and employee recruitment and retention initiatives effective July 1, 2014.	$101,581	$101,581
Increase funds to reflect an adjustment in the employer share of the Employees' Retirement System.	$225,169	$225,169
Reflect an adjustment in TeamWorks billings.	($19,969)	($19,969)
Provide funds for personal services to support the transfer of foster care and adoption assistance members to managed care.	$308,000	$616,000
Increase funds for Medicaid Management Information System (MMIS) contractual services for new members enrolled due to the Patient Protection and Affordable Care Act of 2009 (PPACA).	$1,678,000	$3,356,000
Utilize enhanced federal participation rate for Medicaid eligibility determination. *(CC:Yes)*	$0	$0
Eliminate funds for a completed managed care program assessment contract.	($170,687)	($341,374)
Reduce funds for contracts.	($642,210)	($642,210)
The Department of Community Health, pursuant to O.C.G.A. 49-4-142.1, is hereby authorized to submit a request to the United States Department of Health and Human Services Center for Medicare and Medicaid Services for a waiver pursuant to Section 1115 of the federal Social Security Act. *(CC:Yes)*	$0	$0
The Department of Community Health shall develop a plan of compensation for rural hospitals evolving to stabilization centers to provide medical assistance for stabilizing patients with emergency conditions. *(CC:Yes; The Department of Community Health shall develop a plan for rural hospitals evolving to stabilization centers to provide medical assistance for stabilizing patients with emergency conditions to include emergency, optional outpatient and OB/GYN services.)*	$0	$0
Fund emergency transportation of medically indigent citizens 21 years of age and older by rotary wing air ambulance at the same reimbursement rates as citizens under the age of 21. *(CC:Yes)*	$0	$0
Amount appropriated in this Act	$66,857,380	$354,413,731

17.2. Georgia Board of Dentistry

Purpose: The purpose of this appropriation is to protect public health by licensing qualified applicants as dentists and dental hygienists, regulating the practice of dentistry, investigating complaints, and taking appropriate disciplinary action when warranted.

Total Funds	$802,970
State Funds	$802,970
State General Funds	$802,970

The above amounts include the following adjustments, additions, and deletions to the previous appropriations act (as amended):

	State Funds	Total Funds
Amount from previous Appropriations Act (HB 106) as amended	$0	$0
Provide funds for merit-based pay adjustments and employee recruitment and retention initiatives effective July 1, 2014.	$3,732	$3,732
Increase funds to reflect an adjustment in the employer share of the Employees' Retirement System.	$11,606	$11,606
Provide funds for Board operations.	$787,632	$787,632
Amount appropriated in this Act	$802,970	$802,970

17.3. Georgia State Board of Pharmacy

Purpose: The purpose of this appropriation is to protect public health by licensing qualified pharmacists and pharmacies, regulating the practice of pharmacy, investigating complaints, and taking appropriate disciplinary actions when warranted.

Total Funds	$744,573
State Funds	$744,573
State General Funds	$744,573

The above amounts include the following adjustments, additions, and deletions to the previous appropriations act (as amended):

	State Funds	Total Funds
Amount from previous Appropriations Act (HB 106) as amended	$0	$0
Provide funds for merit-based pay adjustments and employee recruitment and retention initiatives effective July 1, 2014.	$3,865	$3,865
Increase funds to reflect an adjustment in the employer share of the Employees' Retirement System.	$4,676	$4,676
Provide funds for Board operations.	$736,032	$736,032
Amount appropriated in this Act	$744,573	$744,573

17.4. Health Care Access and Improvement

Purpose: The purpose of this appropriation is to provide grants and other support services for programs that seek to improve health access and outcomes in rural and underserved areas of Georgia through the State Office of Rural Health, the various commissions of the Office of Health Improvement, and the

Office of Health Information Technology and Transparency.

Total Funds	$24,324,541
Federal Funds and Grants	$16,446,551
Medical Assistance Program (CFDA 93.778)	$416,250
Federal Funds Not Specifically Identified	$16,030,301
State Funds	$7,877,990
State General Funds	$7,877,990

The above amounts include the following adjustments, additions, and deletions to the previous appropriations act (as amended):

	State Funds	Total Funds
Amount from previous Appropriations Act (HB 106) as amended	$6,742,234	$23,188,785
Provide funds for merit-based pay adjustments and employee recruitment and retention initiatives effective July 1, 2014.	$15,474	$15,474
Increase funds to reflect an adjustment in the employer share of the Employees' Retirement System.	$20,282	$20,282
Reflect a change in the program purpose statement. *(CC:Yes)*	$0	$0
Eliminate one-time start-up funds for Federally Qualified Health Centers.	($500,000)	($500,000)
Provide Federally Qualified Health Center start-up grants for one integrated behavioral health center (Gilmer County) and one community health center (Clay County). *(CC:Increase funds for one-time funding for four "new-start" grants for one integrated behavioral health center (Gilmer County) and three community health centers (Clay County, Decatur County, and Brooks County).)*	$1,000,000	$1,000,000
Increase funding for Area Health Education Centers (AHEC) housing resources for medical students in six-week rural, primary care rotations.	$300,000	$300,000
Provide funds for Southeastern Firefighters' Burn Foundation, Inc.	$50,000	$50,000
Increase contract funds for services for medically fragile children who do not qualify for the "Katie Beckett" TEFRA/Deeming waiver. *(CC:Increase contract funds for services for medically fragile children who do not qualify for the "Katie Beckett" TEFRA/Deeming waiver.)*	$250,000	$250,000
Amount appropriated in this Act	$7,877,990	$24,324,541

17.5. Healthcare Facility Regulation

Purpose: The purpose of this appropriation is to inspect and license long term care and health care facilities.

Total Funds	$15,872,144
Federal Funds and Grants	$8,296,900
Medical Assistance Program (CFDA 93.778)	$2,857,495
Federal Funds Not Specifically Identified	$5,439,405

Other Funds	$100,000
Agency Funds	$100,000
State Funds	$7,475,244
State General Funds	$7,475,244

The above amounts include the following adjustments, additions, and deletions to the previous appropriations act (as amended):

	State Funds	Total Funds
Amount from previous Appropriations Act (HB 106) as amended	$6,959,146	$15,356,046
Provide funds for merit-based pay adjustments and employee recruitment and retention initiatives effective July 1, 2014.	$46,703	$46,703
Increase funds to reflect an adjustment in the employer share of the Employees' Retirement System.	$148,395	$148,395
Provide funds to initiate the Adult Day Center facility licensure program (O.C.G.A. 49-6-80, et. al.).	$321,000	$321,000
Amount appropriated in this Act	$7,475,244	$15,872,144

17.6. Indigent Care Trust Fund

Purpose: The purpose of this appropriation is to support rural and other healthcare providers, primarily hospitals that serve medically indigent Georgians.

Total Funds	$398,662,493
Federal Funds and Grants	$257,075,969
Medical Assistance Program (CFDA 93.778)	$257,075,969
Other Funds	$141,586,524
Agency Funds	$2,200,000
Indigent Care Trust Fund - Public Hospital Authorities	$139,386,524

17.7. Medicaid: Aged, Blind and Disabled

Purpose: The purpose of this appropriation is to provide health care access primarily to elderly and disabled individuals. There is also hereby appropriated to the Department of Community Health a specific sum of money equal to all the provider fees paid to the Indigent Care Trust Fund created pursuant to Article 6A of chapter 8 of Title 31. The sum of money is appropriated for payments for nursing homes pursuant to Article 6A.

Total Funds	$5,198,425,681
Federal Funds and Grants	$3,275,064,364
Medical Assistance Program (CFDA 93.778)	$3,272,277,150
Federal Funds Not Specifically Identified	$2,787,214
Other Funds	$62,342,988
Agency Funds	$62,342,988
State Funds	$1,593,729,697
Hospital Provider Payment	$28,620,148
Nursing Home Provider Fees	$167,756,401

State General Funds	$1,397,353,148
Intra-State Government Transfers	$267,288,632
Medicaid Services Payments - Other Agencies	$267,288,632

The above amounts include the following adjustments, additions, and deletions to the previous appropriations act (as amended):

	State Funds	Total Funds
Amount from previous Appropriations Act (HB 106) as amended	$1,588,229,982	$5,067,340,670
Utilize enhanced federal participation rate to increase Medicaid reimbursement rates for Alternative Living Services and Personal Support Services by 5% in both elderly waiver programs (CCSP and SOURCE). *(CC:Utilize enhanced federal participation rate and increase funds to increase Medicaid reimbursement rates for Alternative Living Services and Personal Support Services, and Case Managers by 5% in both elderly waiver programs (CCSP and SOURCE).)*	$566,000	$1,698,000
Utilize enhanced federal participation rate for 25 additional Independent Care Waiver Program (ICWP) slots. *(CC:Yes)*	$0	$0
Increase funds to update nursing home reimbursement rates and fair rental value to reflect 2012 cost reports.	$13,568,322	$40,733,479
Increase funds to reflect projected FY 2015 Hospital Provider Payment revenue.	$2,441,847	$7,330,672
Reduce funds to reflect an increase in the Federal Medical Assistance Percentage (FMAP) from 65.84% to 66.69%.	($38,161,742)	$0
Reduce funds to recognize savings due to MMIS improvements allowing for successful monitoring of inconsistencies between units billed and appropriate dosages for physician injectable drugs.	($680,000)	($2,011,239)
Reduce funds to recognize savings due to the increased utilization of the Public Assistance Reporting Information System (PARIS) system by moving eligible members from Medicaid to the Veterans Administration (VA).	($2,000,000)	($5,905,621)
Increase funds for growth in Medicaid based on projected need.	$33,128,965	$99,456,515
Restore funds for one-time reduction for prior year (FY 2011) Hospital Cost Settlements collected in FY 2014.	$2,870,000	$8,488,613
Increase funds to reflect cost of medically fragile inmates paroled to private nursing homes.	$500,000	$1,501,051
Reduce funds to reflect Hospital Cost Settlements collected from FY 2012 and FY 2013.	($2,583,000)	($7,754,428)
Reduce funds to reflect savings through patient-centered outcome incentives for case care and disease management programs.	($4,150,677)	($12,452,031)
Reinstate the Aged, Blind and Disabled Nursing Home and Institutionalized Hospice Medically Needy Medicaid coverage program in the Medicaid State Plan. *(CC:Yes)*	$0	$0
Change in Nursing Facility Operators that occur after January 1, 2012 will use a rate calculation that reflects	$0	$0

the operating cost of the new operator. *(CC:Yes; For the purpose of clarification, nursing facility initial operational implementations or operational changes occurring on or after January 1, 2012 for rate calculation purposes shall reflect the operating costs of the most recent operator.)*		
Amount appropriated in this Act	$1,593,729,697	$5,198,425,681

17.8. Medicaid: Low-Income Medicaid

Purpose: The purpose of this appropriation is to provide healthcare access primarily to low-income individuals.

Total Funds	$3,786,304,624
Federal Funds and Grants	$2,518,942,060
Medical Assistance Program (CFDA 93.778)	$2,518,942,060
Other Funds	$12,328,316
Agency Funds	$12,328,316
State Funds	$1,241,617,401
Hospital Provider Payment	$233,769,866
State General Funds	$897,879,278
Tobacco Settlement Funds	$109,968,257
Intra-State Government Transfers	$13,416,847
Medicaid Services Payments - Other Agencies	$13,416,847

The above amounts include the following adjustments, additions, and deletions to the previous appropriations act (as amended):

	State Funds	Total Funds
Amount from previous Appropriations Act (HB 106) as amended	$1,124,912,513	$3,383,103,006
Increase funds to reflect projected FY 2015 Hospital Provider Payment revenue.	$19,945,049	$59,877,061
Transfer funds from the Department of Juvenile Justice (DJJ) for foster care and adoption assistance members who will be served through a CMO.	$520,000	$520,000
Transfer funds from the Department of Behavioral Health and Developmental Disabilities (DBHDD) for foster care and adoption assistance members who will be served through a Care Management Organization (CMO).	$24,819,209	$24,819,209
Replace $56,000,000 in tobacco settlement funds with state general funds. *(CC:Yes)*	$0	$0
Reduce funds to reflect an increase in the Federal Medical Assistance Percentage (FMAP) from 65.84% to 66.69%.	($28,920,059)	$0
Restore funds for one-time reduction for prior year (FY 2011) Hospital Cost Settlements collected in FY 2014.	$1,960,000	$5,797,101
Increase funds for growth in Medicaid based on projected need. *(CC:Increase funds for growth in Medicaid based on projected need and reflect the Planning for Healthy Babies (P4HB) waiver program as a separate appropriation.)*	$8,612,150	$26,089,518

Reduce funds to recognize savings due to the increased utilization of the PARIS system by moving eligible members from Medicaid to the Veterans Administration (VA).	($1,318,030)	($3,898,343)
Increase funds to cover the remaining cost of fee-for-service (FFS) claims for foster care and adoption assistance members being transitioned to managed care.	$4,800,000	$14,196,983
Increase funds for the increased percentage of Medicaid-eligible children enrolling due to the PPACA (also known as the "Woodwork Effect").	$29,000,000	$85,773,440
Increase funds for additional state insurance premium tax liability of the care management organizations (CMOs) caused by the PPACA's primary care reimbursement rate increase.	$1,100,000	$3,253,475
Increase funds to account for transition to 12-month eligibility reviews as required by the PPACA.	$28,275,569	$84,886,128
Provide funds for new federal premium tax imposed on the care management organizations (CMOs) by the PPACA.	$26,300,000	$77,787,637
Provide funds for the extension of the Planning for Healthy Babies (P4HB) waiver, including prenatal care for Medicaid eligible members at risk of delivering low birth weight babies.	$3,600,000	$30,070,588
Reduce funds to reflect savings from the revision of supplemental drug rebates to include Care Management Organization (CMO) claims. *(CC:No)*	$0	$0
Transfer tobacco settlement funds for the Georgia Center for Oncology Research and Education (CORE).	($225,000)	($675,472)
Reduce funds to reflect Hospital Cost Settlements collected from FY 2012 and FY 2013.	($1,764,000)	($5,295,707)
It is the intent of the Georgia General Assembly that the Department of Community Health shall revise policies to provide assignment of benefit access to RSV vaccinations for medically fragile infants who are unserved by home health providers effective July 1, 2014. *(CC:No)*	$0	$0
Amount appropriated in this Act	$1,241,617,401	$3,786,304,624

17.9. PeachCare

Purpose: The purpose of this appropriation is to provide health insurance coverage for qualified low-income Georgia children.

Total Funds	$400,431,950
Federal Funds and Grants	$306,358,017
State Children's Insurance Program (CFDA 93.767)	$306,358,017
State Funds	$93,922,150
Hospital Provider Payment	$1,827,220
State General Funds	$92,094,930
Intra-State Government Transfers	$151,783
Medicaid Services Payments - Other Agencies	$151,783

The above amounts include the following adjustments, additions, and deletions to the previous appropriations act (as amended):		
	State Funds	Total Funds
Amount from previous Appropriations Act (HB 106) as amended	$82,317,878	$342,783,343
Increase funds to reflect projected FY 2015 Hospital Provider Payment revenue.	$155,897	$668,512
Reduce funds to reflect an increase in the enhanced Federal Medical Assistance Percentage (eFMAP) from 76.09% to 76.68%.	($2,007,973)	$0
Reduce funds for growth in PeachCare based on projected need.	($1,315,682)	($5,641,861)
Reduce funds to recognize savings due to the increased utilization of the PARIS system by moving eligible members from Medicaid to the VA.	($144,970)	($612,721)
Restore funds for one-time reduction for prior year (FY 2011) Hospital Cost Settlements collected in FY 2014.	$170,000	$718,512
Provide funds for the increased percentage of PeachCare-eligible children enrolling due to the PPACA (also known as the "Woodwork Effect").	$11,900,000	$50,295,858
Provide funds for new federal premium tax imposed on the CMOs by the PPACA.	$3,000,000	$12,679,628
Reduce funds to reflect Hospital Cost Settlements collected from FY 2012 and FY 2013.	($153,000)	($459,321)
Amount appropriated in this Act	$93,922,150	$400,431,950

17.10. State Health Benefit Plan

Purpose: The purpose of this appropriation is to provide a healthcare benefit for teachers and state employees that is competitive with other commercial benefit plans in quality of care and access to providers; and to provide for the efficient management of provider fees and utilization rates.

Total Funds	$3,151,661,641
Intra-State Government Transfers	$3,151,661,641
Health Insurance Payments	$3,151,661,641

The above amounts include the following adjustments, additions, and deletions to the previous appropriations act (as amended):		
	State Funds	Total Funds
Amount from previous Appropriations Act (HB 106) as amended	$0	$3,232,435,211
Reduce the state agency employer contribution rate from 30.781% to 30.454% effective July 1, 2014. *(CC:Yes)*	$0	$0
Increase funds to provide coverage for hearing aids for children effective January 1, 2015.	$0	$853,980
Increase funds to provide coverage for the treatment of autism spectrum disorders (ASDs) effective January 1, 2015.	$0	$2,410,661
Increase funds for reserves to fund future claims and Other Post-Employment Benefits (OPEB) liabilities. *(CC:Yes)*	$0	$0

Increase funds due to the Comparative Effectiveness Research fee required by the PPACA.	$0	$192,541
Increase funds for additional preventive health benefits required by the PPACA.	$0	$3,173,996
Increase funds to account for limits imposed on cost sharing by the PPACA beginning in Calendar Year 2015.	$0	$25,766,000
Increase funds to account for the projected increased enrollment due to the individual mandate and auto-enrollment of new employees as required by the PPACA.	$0	$50,191,000
Increase funds due to the Transitional Reinsurance Fee imposed by the PPACA.	$0	$23,688,000
Reduce funds to reflect reduced membership, medical services utilization, and medical trend since previous projection.	$0	($7,265,128)
Reduce funds to recognize plan design changes effective January 1, 2014.	$0	($44,583,000)
Reduce funds to reflect savings from the reprocurement of vendor services.	$0	($212,480,000)
Increase funds for pharmacy, office visit and ER co-pays.	$0	$58,000,000
Use prior year reserved funds for budgeted expense.	$0	$19,278,380
The Board shall contract with multiple statewide and regional vendors for any SHBP plan offered in Calendar Year 2015. *(CC:Yes)*	$0	$0
Pursuant to the passage of HB 511 (2014 Session), implement coverage of bariatric surgery. *(CC:Yes; Pursuant to the passage of legislation, implement coverage of bariatric surgery pilot in SHBP plan year 2015.)*	$0	$0
Because O.C.G.A. § 26-4-114.1(c) exempts pharmacies under common ownership or control with entities licensed under Title 33 from the requirements of O.C.G.A. § 26-4-114.1, no portion of this appropriation shall be used to require any such pharmacy to obtain a nonresident pharmacy permit. *(CC:Yes)*	$0	$0
Amount appropriated in this Act	$0	$3,151,661,641

The following appropriations are for agencies attached for administrative purposes.

17.11. Georgia Board for Physician Workforce: Board Administration

Purpose: The purpose of this appropriation is to provide administrative support to all agency programs.

Total Funds	$695,782
State Funds	$695,782
State General Funds	$695,782

The above amounts include the following adjustments, additions, and deletions to the previous appropriations act (as amended):

	State Funds	Total Funds
Amount from previous Appropriations Act (HB 106) as amended	$678,277	$678,277
Provide funds for merit-based pay adjustments and employee recruitment and retention initiatives effective July 1, 2014.	$3,471	$3,471
Increase funds to reflect an adjustment in the employer share of the Employees' Retirement System.	$7,668	$7,668
Provide funds for the Georgia Physician Careers website.	$6,366	$6,366
Amount appropriated in this Act	$695,782	$695,782

17.12. Georgia Board for Physician Workforce: Graduate Medical Education

Purpose: The purpose of this appropriation is to address the physician workforce needs of Georgia communities through the support and development of medical education programs.

Total Funds	$8,905,464
State Funds	$8,905,464
State General Funds	$8,905,464

The above amounts include the following adjustments, additions, and deletions to the previous appropriations act (as amended):

	State Funds	Total Funds
Amount from previous Appropriations Act (HB 106) as amended	$8,264,543	$8,264,543
Utilize existing funds ($26,366) for five new family medicine residency slots at Gwinnett Medical Center. *(CC:Yes)*	$0	$0
Provide funds for five new family medicine residency slots at Gwinnett Medical Center. *(CC:Increase funds for five new family medicine residency slots at Gwinnett Medical Center at the increased capitation rate.)*	$79,333	$79,333
Provide funds for six additional family medicine residency slots at Houston Medical Center. *(CC:Increase funds for three additional family medicine residency slots at Houston Medical Center at the increased capitation rate.)*	$63,420	$63,420
Increase all Georgia Board for Physician Workforce capitation residency grants by $333 in state funds.	$498,168	$498,168
Amount appropriated in this Act	$8,905,464	$8,905,464

17.13. Georgia Board for Physician Workforce: Mercer School of Medicine Grant

Purpose: The purpose of this appropriation is to provide funding for the Mercer University School of Medicine to help ensure an adequate supply of primary and other needed physician specialists through a public/private partnership with the State of Georgia.

Total Funds	$22,769,911

State Funds $22,769,911
State General Funds $22,769,911

The above amounts include the following adjustments, additions, and deletions to the previous appropriations act (as amended):

	State Funds	Total Funds
Amount from previous Appropriations Act (HB 106) as amended	$20,969,911	$20,969,911
Provide funds to increase the operating grant for medical education.	$1,800,000	$1,800,000
Amount appropriated in this Act	$22,769,911	$22,769,911

17.14. Georgia Board for Physician Workforce: Morehouse School of Medicine Grant

Purpose: The purpose of this appropriation is to provide funding for the Morehouse School of Medicine to help ensure an adequate supply of primary and other needed physician specialists through a public/private partnership with the State of Georgia.

Total Funds $15,933,643
State Funds $15,933,643
State General Funds $15,933,643

The above amounts include the following adjustments, additions, and deletions to the previous appropriations act (as amended):

	State Funds	Total Funds
Amount from previous Appropriations Act (HB 106) as amended	$10,933,643	$10,933,643
Provide funds to increase the operating grant for medical education.	$5,000,000	$5,000,000
Amount appropriated in this Act	$15,933,643	$15,933,643

17.15. Georgia Board for Physician Workforce: Physicians for Rural Areas

Purpose: The purpose of this appropriation is to ensure an adequate supply of physicians in rural areas of the state, and to provide a program of aid to promising medical students.

Total Funds $1,070,000
State Funds $1,070,000
State General Funds $1,070,000

The above amounts include the following adjustments, additions, and deletions to the previous appropriations act (as amended):

	State Funds	Total Funds
Amount from previous Appropriations Act (HB 106) as amended	$870,000	$870,000
Provide funds for one additional loan repayment awards. *(CC:Increase funds for ten additional loan repayment awards.)*	$200,000	$200,000
Amount appropriated in this Act	$1,070,000	$1,070,000

17.16. Georgia Board for Physician Workforce: Undergraduate Medical Education

Purpose: The purpose of this appropriation is to ensure an adequate supply of primary care and other needed physician specialists through a public/private partnership with medical schools in Georgia.

Total Funds	$2,087,250
State Funds	$2,087,250
State General Funds	$2,087,250

The above amounts include the following adjustments, additions, and deletions to the previous appropriations act (as amended):

	State Funds	Total Funds
Amount from previous Appropriations Act (HB 106) as amended	$2,055,432	$2,055,432
Increase funds for the medical student capitation contract for five certified Georgia residents at Philadelphia College of Osteopathic Medicine.	$31,818	$31,818
Amount appropriated in this Act	$2,087,250	$2,087,250

17.17. Georgia Composite Medical Board

Purpose: License qualified applicants as physicians, physician's assistants, respiratory care professionals, perfusionists, acupuncturists, orthotists, prosthetists, and auricular (ear) detoxification specialists. Also, investigate complaints and discipline those who violate the Medical Practice Act or other laws governing the professional behavior of the Board licensees.

Total Funds	$2,289,014
Other Funds	$100,000
Other Funds - Not Specifically Identified	$100,000
State Funds	$2,189,014
State General Funds	$2,189,014

The above amounts include the following adjustments, additions, and deletions to the previous appropriations act (as amended):

	State Funds	Total Funds
Amount from previous Appropriations Act (HB 106) as amended	$1,993,168	$2,093,168
Provide funds for merit-based pay adjustments and employee recruitment and retention initiatives effective July 1, 2014.	$13,002	$13,002
Increase funds to reflect an adjustment in the employer share of the Employees' Retirement System.	$32,735	$32,735
Provide funds to implement Pain Management Clinic licensure (HB 178, 2013 Session).	$115,109	$115,109
Increase funds for the Georgia Cosmetic Laser Services Act.	$35,000	$35,000
Amount appropriated in this Act	$2,189,014	$2,289,014

17.18. Georgia Drugs and Narcotics Agency

Purpose: The purpose of this appropriation is to protect the health, safety, and

welfare of the general public by providing an enforcement presence to oversee all laws and regulations pertaining to controlled substances and dangerous drugs.

Total Funds	$1,911,022
State Funds	$1,911,022
State General Funds	$1,911,022

The above amounts include the following adjustments, additions, and deletions to the previous appropriations act (as amended):

	State Funds	Total Funds
Amount from previous Appropriations Act (HB 106) as amended	$1,750,681	$1,750,681
Provide funds for merit-based pay adjustments and employee recruitment and retention initiatives effective July 1, 2014.	$11,008	$11,008
Increase funds to reflect an adjustment in the employer share of the Employees' Retirement System.	$29,333	$29,333
Provide funds for one additional inspector position.	$120,000	$120,000
Amount appropriated in this Act	$1,911,022	$1,911,022

Section 18: Corrections, Department of

Total Funds	**$1,162,580,006**
Federal Funds and Grants	**$470,555**
Federal Funds Not Specifically Identified	$470,555
Other Funds	**$13,581,649**
Other Funds - Not Specifically Identified	$13,581,649
State Funds	**$1,148,527,802**
State General Funds	$1,148,527,802

18.1. Bainbridge Probation Substance Abuse Treatment Center

Purpose: The purpose of this appropriation is to provide housing, academic education, counseling, and substance abuse treatment for probationers who require more security and supervision than provided by regular community supervision.

Total Funds	$0

The above amounts include the following adjustments, additions, and deletions to the previous appropriations act (as amended):

	State Funds	Total Funds
Amount from previous Appropriations Act (HB 106) as amended	$6,221,238	$6,228,284
Transfer funds, 82 positions, and 14 vehicles to the Probation Supervision program to consolidate program operations. *(CC:Transfer funds, 82 positions, and 14 vehicles to the Probation Supervision program to consolidate program operations.)*	($6,221,238)	($6,228,284)
Amount appropriated in this Act	$0	$0

18.2. County Jail Subsidy

Purpose: The purpose of this appropriation is to reimburse counties for the costs of incarcerating state prisoners in their local facilities after sentencing.

Total Funds	$596,724
State Funds	$596,724
State General Funds	$596,724

The above amounts include the following adjustments, additions, and deletions to the previous appropriations act (as amended):

	State Funds	Total Funds
Amount from previous Appropriations Act (HB 106) as amended	$9,596,724	$9,596,724
Transfer anticipated savings as a result of Criminal Justice Reform to the State Prisons program to address recruitment and retention needs for correctional officers.	($9,000,000)	($9,000,000)
Increase reimbursements to counties from $22.00 to $43.00 per day. *(CC:Yes; Reflect an increase in reimbursements to counties from $22.00 to $30.00 per day.)*	$0	$0
Amount appropriated in this Act	$596,724	$596,724

18.3. Departmental Administration

Purpose: The purpose of this appropriation is to protect and serve the citizens of Georgia by providing an effective and efficient department that administers a balanced correctional system.

Total Funds	$37,494,629
Federal Funds and Grants	$70,555
Federal Funds Not Specifically Identified	$70,555
State Funds	$37,424,074
State General Funds	$37,424,074

The above amounts include the following adjustments, additions, and deletions to the previous appropriations act (as amended):

	State Funds	Total Funds
Amount from previous Appropriations Act (HB 106) as amended	$36,171,292	$36,241,847
Provide funds for merit-based pay adjustments and employee recruitment and retention initiatives effective July 1, 2014.	$170,767	$170,767
Increase funds to reflect an adjustment in the employer share of the Employees' Retirement System.	$512,140	$512,140
Reflect an adjustment in TeamWorks billings.	$2,875	$2,875
Increase funds for technical assistance from the Department of Community Affairs for housing initiatives for the Governor's Office of Transition, Support and Reentry.	$50,000	$50,000
Increase funds for five housing coordinator positions to support the Governor's Office of Transition, Support and Reentry.	$517,000	$517,000
Amount appropriated in this Act	$37,424,074	$37,494,629

18.4. Detention Centers

Purpose: The purpose of this appropriation is to provide housing, academic education, vocational training, work details, counseling, and substance abuse treatment for probationers who require more security or supervision than provided by regular community supervision.

Total Funds	$30,136,825
Other Funds	$450,000
Other Funds - Not Specifically Identified	$450,000
State Funds	$29,686,825
State General Funds	$29,686,825

The above amounts include the following adjustments, additions, and deletions to the previous appropriations act (as amended):

	State Funds	Total Funds
Amount from previous Appropriations Act (HB 106) as amended	$28,908,861	$29,358,861
Provide funds for merit-based pay adjustments and employee recruitment and retention initiatives effective July 1, 2014.	$198,010	$198,010
Increase funds to reflect an adjustment in the employer share of the Employees' Retirement System.	$576,158	$576,158
Reflect an adjustment in TeamWorks billings.	$3,796	$3,796
Amount appropriated in this Act	$29,686,825	$30,136,825

18.5. Food and Farm Operations

Purpose: The purpose of this appropriation is to manage timber, raise crops and livestock, and produce dairy items used in preparing meals for offenders.

Total Funds	$27,845,393
Federal Funds and Grants	$300,000
Federal Funds Not Specifically Identified	$300,000
State Funds	$27,545,393
State General Funds	$27,545,393

The above amounts include the following adjustments, additions, and deletions to the previous appropriations act (as amended):

	State Funds	Total Funds
Amount from previous Appropriations Act (HB 106) as amended	$27,510,613	$27,810,613
Provide funds for merit-based pay adjustments and employee recruitment and retention initiatives effective July 1, 2014.	$9,173	$9,173
Increase funds to reflect an adjustment in the employer share of the Employees' Retirement System.	$25,607	$25,607
Amount appropriated in this Act	$27,545,393	$27,845,393

18.6. Health

Purpose: The purpose of this appropriation is to provide the required constitutional level of physical, dental, and mental health care to all inmates of the state correctional system.

Total Funds	$200,382,975
Other Funds	$390,000
Other Funds - Not Specifically Identified	$390,000
State Funds	$199,992,975
State General Funds	$199,992,975

The above amounts include the following adjustments, additions, and deletions to the previous appropriations act (as amended):

	State Funds	Total Funds
Amount from previous Appropriations Act (HB 106) as amended	$200,205,883	$200,595,883
Provide funds for merit-based pay adjustments and employee recruitment and retention initiatives effective July 1, 2014.	$67,304	$67,304
Increase funds to reflect an adjustment in the employer share of the Employees' Retirement System.	$217,660	$217,660
Reflect an adjustment in TeamWorks billings.	$2,128	$2,128
Reduce funds to reflect the savings from medically fragile inmates being paroled to private nursing homes.	($1,500,000)	($1,500,000)
Increase funds to replace the loss of 340B pharmaceutical pricing.	$1,000,000	$1,000,000
Amount appropriated in this Act	$199,992,975	$200,382,975

18.7. Offender Management

Purpose: The purpose of this appropriation is to coordinate and operate the following agency-wide support services to ensure public safety: canine units, the County Correctional Institutions program, Correctional Emergency Response Teams, inmate classification, inmate diagnostics, the jail coordination unit, the release and agreements unit, and tactical squads.

Total Funds	$42,521,807
Other Funds	$30,000
Other Funds - Not Specifically Identified	$30,000
State Funds	$42,491,807
State General Funds	$42,491,807

The above amounts include the following adjustments, additions, and deletions to the previous appropriations act (as amended):

	State Funds	Total Funds
Amount from previous Appropriations Act (HB 106) as amended	$42,388,820	$42,418,820
Provide funds for merit-based pay adjustments and employee recruitment and retention initiatives effective July 1, 2014.	$25,591	$25,591
Increase funds to reflect an adjustment in the employer share of the Employees' Retirement System.	$76,821	$76,821
Reflect an adjustment in TeamWorks billings.	$575	$575
Amount appropriated in this Act	$42,491,807	$42,521,807

18.8. Private Prisons

Purpose: The purpose of this appropriation is to contract with private companies to provide cost effective prison facilities that ensure public safety.

Total Funds	$134,908,024
State Funds	$134,908,024
State General Funds	$134,908,024

The above amounts include the following adjustments, additions, and deletions to the previous appropriations act (as amended):

	State Funds	Total Funds
Amount from previous Appropriations Act (HB 106) as amended	$134,908,024	$134,908,024
Increase funds to reflect an increase in the per diem rate for the Coffee and Wheeler facilities. *(CC:No)*	$0	$0
Amount appropriated in this Act	$134,908,024	$134,908,024

18.9. Probation Supervision

Purpose: The purpose of this appropriation is to supervise probationers in Day Reporting Centers, the Savannah Impact Program, intensive or specialized probation, and field supervision, as well as support the Georgia Commission on Family Violence.

Total Funds	$108,227,722
Other Funds	$17,046
Other Funds - Not Specifically Identified	$17,046
State Funds	$108,210,676
State General Funds	$108,210,676

The above amounts include the following adjustments, additions, and deletions to the previous appropriations act (as amended):

	State Funds	Total Funds
Amount from previous Appropriations Act (HB 106) as amended	$99,350,317	$99,360,317
Provide funds for merit-based pay adjustments and employee recruitment and retention initiatives effective July 1, 2014.	$703,641	$703,641
Increase funds to reflect an adjustment in the employer share of the Employees' Retirement System.	$1,920,528	$1,920,528
Reflect an adjustment in TeamWorks billings.	$14,952	$14,952
Transfer funds, 82 positions, and 14 vehicles from the Bainbridge Probation Substance Abuse Treatment Center program. *(CC:Transfer funds, 82 positions, and 14 vehicles from the Bainbridge Probation Substance Abuse Treatment Center program.)*	$6,221,238	$6,228,284
Amount appropriated in this Act	$108,210,676	$108,227,722

18.10. State Prisons

Purpose: The purpose of this appropriation is to provide housing, academic education, religious support, vocational training, counseling, and substance abuse treatment for violent and/or repeat offenders, or nonviolent offenders

who have exhausted all other forms of punishment in a secure, well-supervised setting; to assist in the reentry of these offenders back into society; and to provide fire services and work details to the Department, state agencies, and local communities.

Total Funds	$551,493,740
Federal Funds and Grants	$100,000
Federal Funds Not Specifically Identified	$100,000
Other Funds	$12,694,603
Other Funds - Not Specifically Identified	$12,694,603
State Funds	$538,699,137
State General Funds	$538,699,137

The above amounts include the following adjustments, additions, and deletions to the previous appropriations act (as amended):

	State Funds	Total Funds
Amount from previous Appropriations Act (HB 106) as amended	$518,302,270	$531,096,873
Provide funds for merit-based pay adjustments and employee recruitment and retention initiatives effective July 1, 2014.	$3,349,465	$3,349,465
Increase funds to reflect an adjustment in the employer share of the Employees' Retirement System.	$8,962,463	$8,962,463
Reflect an adjustment in TeamWorks billings.	$84,939	$84,939
Reinvest funds as a result of savings from Criminal Justice Reform from programs and utilize existing funds of $5,000,000 to increase the minimum salary of a Correctional Officer 2 to $27,472.	$8,000,000	$8,000,000
Amount appropriated in this Act	$538,699,137	$551,493,740

18.11. Transition Centers

Purpose: The purpose of this appropriation is to provide "work release," allowing inmates to obtain and maintain a paying job in the community, while still receiving housing, academic education, counseling, and substance abuse treatment in a structured center.

Total Funds	$28,972,167
State Funds	$28,972,167
State General Funds	$28,972,167

The above amounts include the following adjustments, additions, and deletions to the previous appropriations act (as amended):

	State Funds	Total Funds
Amount from previous Appropriations Act (HB 106) as amended	$28,275,869	$28,275,869
Provide funds for merit-based pay adjustments and employee recruitment and retention initiatives effective July 1, 2014.	$178,406	$178,406
Increase funds to reflect an adjustment in the employer share of the Employees' Retirement System.	$512,141	$512,141
Reflect an adjustment in TeamWorks billings.	$5,751	$5,751
Amount appropriated in this Act	$28,972,167	$28,972,167

Section 19: Defense, Department of

Total Funds	**$91,644,867**
Federal Funds and Grants	**$74,506,287**
Federal Funds Not Specifically Identified	$74,506,287
Other Funds	**$7,641,586**
Agency Funds	$1,475,680
Other Funds - Not Specifically Identified	$6,165,906
State Funds	**$9,496,994**
State General Funds	$9,496,994

19.1. Departmental Administration

Purpose: The purpose of this appropriation is to provide administration to the organized militia in the State of Georgia.

Total Funds	$1,787,658
Federal Funds and Grants	$672,334
Federal Funds Not Specifically Identified	$672,334
State Funds	$1,115,324
State General Funds	$1,115,324

The above amounts include the following adjustments, additions, and deletions to the previous appropriations act (as amended):

	State Funds	Total Funds
Amount from previous Appropriations Act (HB 106) as amended	$1,084,860	$1,757,194
Provide funds for merit-based pay adjustments and employee recruitment and retention initiatives effective July 1, 2014.	$7,683	$7,683
Increase funds to reflect an adjustment in the employer share of the Employees' Retirement System.	$20,996	$20,996
Reflect an adjustment in TeamWorks billings.	$1,785	$1,785
Increase funds for one legal counsel position. *(CC:No)*	$0	$0
Amount appropriated in this Act	$1,115,324	$1,787,658

19.2. Military Readiness

Purpose: The purpose of this appropriation is to provide an Army National Guard, Air National Guard, and State Defense Force for the State of Georgia that can be activated and deployed at the direction of the President or the Governor for a man-made crisis or natural disaster.

Total Funds	$76,522,004
Federal Funds and Grants	$63,865,953
Federal Funds Not Specifically Identified	$63,865,953
Other Funds	$7,641,586
Agency Funds	$1,475,680
Other Funds - Not Specifically Identified	$6,165,906
State Funds	$5,014,465
State General Funds	$5,014,465

The above amounts include the following adjustments, additions, and deletions to the previous appropriations act (as amended):	State Funds	Total Funds
Amount from previous Appropriations Act (HB 106) as amended	$4,756,995	$76,264,534
Provide funds for merit-based pay adjustments and employee recruitment and retention initiatives effective July 1, 2014.	$19,743	$19,743
Increase funds to reflect an adjustment in the employer share of the Employees' Retirement System.	$56,924	$56,924
Reflect an adjustment in TeamWorks billings.	$740	$740
Increase funds for personnel for one legal counsel position.	$180,063	$180,063
Amount appropriated in this Act	$5,014,465	$76,522,004

19.3. Youth Educational Services

Purpose: The purpose of this appropriation is to provide educational and vocational opportunities to at-risk youth through Youth Challenge Academies and Starbase programs.

Total Funds	$13,335,205
Federal Funds and Grants	$9,968,000
Federal Funds Not Specifically Identified	$9,968,000
State Funds	$3,367,205
State General Funds	$3,367,205

The above amounts include the following adjustments, additions, and deletions to the previous appropriations act (as amended):	State Funds	Total Funds
Amount from previous Appropriations Act (HB 106) as amended	$3,299,462	$13,267,462
Provide funds for merit-based pay adjustments and employee recruitment and retention initiatives effective July 1, 2014.	$17,122	$17,122
Increase funds to reflect an adjustment in the employer share of the Employees' Retirement System.	$48,792	$48,792
Reflect an adjustment in TeamWorks billings.	$1,829	$1,829
Amount appropriated in this Act	$3,367,205	$13,335,205

Section 20: Driver Services, Department of

Total Funds	**$65,883,985**
Other Funds	**$2,844,121**
Agency Funds	$2,844,121
State Funds	**$63,039,864**
State General Funds	$63,039,864

20.1. Customer Service Support

Purpose: The purpose of this appropriation is for administration of license

issuance, motor vehicle registration, and commercial truck compliance.

Total Funds	$9,866,580
Other Funds	$500,857
Agency Funds	$500,857
State Funds	$9,365,723
State General Funds	$9,365,723

The above amounts include the following adjustments, additions, and deletions to the previous appropriations act (as amended):

	State Funds	Total Funds
Amount from previous Appropriations Act (HB 106) as amended	$9,214,452	$9,715,309
Provide funds for merit-based pay adjustments and employee recruitment and retention initiatives effective July 1, 2014.	$35,495	$35,495
Increase funds to reflect an adjustment in the employer share of the Employees' Retirement System.	$92,393	$92,393
Reflect an adjustment in TeamWorks billings.	$23,383	$23,383
Amount appropriated in this Act	$9,365,723	$9,866,580

20.2. License Issuance

Purpose: The purpose of this appropriation is to issue and renew drivers' licenses, maintain driver records, operate Customer Service Centers, provide online access to services, provide motorcycle safety instruction, produce driver manuals, and investigate driver's license fraud.

Total Funds	$54,616,128
Other Funds	$1,827,835
Agency Funds	$1,827,835
State Funds	$52,788,293
State General Funds	$52,788,293

The above amounts include the following adjustments, additions, and deletions to the previous appropriations act (as amended):

	State Funds	Total Funds
Amount from previous Appropriations Act (HB 106) as amended	$50,591,523	$52,419,358
Provide funds for merit-based pay adjustments and employee recruitment and retention initiatives effective July 1, 2014.	$236,698	$236,698
Increase funds to reflect an adjustment in the employer share of the Employees' Retirement System.	$579,794	$579,794
Increase funds for personal services for the new Fort Benning Customer Service Center.	$125,378	$125,378
Replace federal and other funds for 53 part-time positions at Customer Service Centers in high volume areas.	$704,900	$704,900
Increase funds for rent for the Fulton Customer Service Center.	$300,000	$300,000
Provide funds for personal services for the new Bainbridge Customer Service Center.	$100,000	$100,000

Reduce one-time funds to convert DSL lines to T1 lines at 19 Customer Service Centers. *(CC:No)*	$0	$0
Renovate the former Bainbridge visitor's center to be used as a Driver Services' Customer Service Center.	$150,000	$150,000
Amount appropriated in this Act	$52,788,293	$54,616,128

20.3. Regulatory Compliance

Purpose: The purpose of this appropriation is to regulate driver safety and education programs for both novice and problem drivers by approving driver education curricula and auditing third-party driver education providers for compliance with state laws and regulations; and to certify ignition interlock device providers.

Total Funds	$1,401,277
Other Funds	$515,429
Agency Funds	$515,429
State Funds	$885,848
State General Funds	$885,848

The above amounts include the following adjustments, additions, and deletions to the previous appropriations act (as amended):

	State Funds	Total Funds
Amount from previous Appropriations Act (HB 106) as amended	$856,832	$1,372,261
Provide funds for merit-based pay adjustments and employee recruitment and retention initiatives effective July 1, 2014.	$4,838	$4,838
Increase funds to reflect an adjustment in the employer share of the Employees' Retirement System.	$24,178	$24,178
Amount appropriated in this Act	$885,848	$1,401,277

Section 21: Early Care and Learning, Department of

Total Funds	**$692,647,609**
Federal Funds and Grants	**$321,867,751**
CCDF Mandatory and Matching Funds (CFDA 93.596)	$96,773,342
Child Care and Development Block Grant (CFDA 93.575)	$102,632,009
Federal Funds Not Specifically Identified	$122,462,400
Federal Recovery Funds	**$846,338**
Federal Recovery Funds Not Specifically Identified	$846,338
Other Funds	**$140,000**
Agency Funds	$10,000
Other Funds - Not Specifically Identified	$130,000
State Funds	**$369,793,520**
Lottery Funds	$314,300,032
State General Funds	$55,493,488

21.1. Child Care Services

Purpose: The purpose of this appropriation is to regulate, license, and train child care providers; to support the infant and toddler and afterschool networks; and to provide inclusion services for children with disabilities.

Total Funds	$230,913,839
Federal Funds and Grants	$175,405,351
CCDF Mandatory and Matching Funds (CFDA 93.596)	$96,773,342
Child Care and Development Block Grant (CFDA 93.575)	$78,632,009
Other Funds	$15,000
Agency Funds	$10,000
Other Funds - Not Specifically Identified	$5,000
State Funds	$55,493,488
State General Funds	$55,493,488

The above amounts include the following adjustments, additions, and deletions to the previous appropriations act (as amended):

	State Funds	Total Funds
Amount from previous Appropriations Act (HB 106) as amended	$55,451,852	$230,872,203
Provide funds for merit-based pay adjustments and employee recruitment and retention initiatives effective July 1, 2014.	$10,473	$10,473
Increase funds to reflect an adjustment in the employer share of the Employees' Retirement System.	$31,163	$31,163
Transfer funds and six positions from the Governor's Office for Children and Families to the Department of Early Care and Learning for child abuse and neglect prevention and home visiting activities. *(CC:No)*	$0	$0
Amount appropriated in this Act	$55,493,488	$230,913,839

21.2. Nutrition

Purpose: The purpose of this appropriation is to ensure that USDA-compliant meals are served to eligible children and adults in day care settings and to eligible youth during the summer.

Total Funds	$122,000,000
Federal Funds and Grants	$122,000,000
Federal Funds Not Specifically Identified	$122,000,000

21.3. Pre-Kindergarten Program

Purpose: The purpose of this appropriation is to provide funding, training, technical assistance, and oversight of Pre-Kindergarten programs operated by public and private providers throughout the state and to improve the quality of early learning and increase school readiness for Georgia's four-year-olds.

Total Funds	$314,462,432
Federal Funds and Grants	$162,400
Federal Funds Not Specifically Identified	$162,400

State Funds	$314,300,032
Lottery Funds	$314,300,032

The above amounts include the following adjustments, additions, and deletions to the previous appropriations act (as amended):

	State Funds	Total Funds
Amount from previous Appropriations Act (HB 106) as amended	$312,173,630	$312,336,030
Provide funds for merit-based pay adjustments and employee recruitment and retention initiatives effective July 1, 2014.	$2,043,274	$2,043,274
Increase funds to reflect an adjustment in the employer share of the Employees' Retirement System.	$79,508	$79,508
Increase funds to reflect an adjustment in the employer share of the Teachers' Retirement System from 12.28% to 13.15%.	$3,620	$3,620
Amount appropriated in this Act	$314,300,032	$314,462,432

21.4. Quality Initiatives

Purpose: The purpose of this appropriation is to implement innovative strategies and programs that focus on improving the quality of and access to early education, child care, and nutrition for Georgia's children and families.

Total Funds	$25,271,338
Federal Funds and Grants	$24,300,000
Child Care and Development Block Grant (CFDA 93.575)	$24,000,000
Federal Funds Not Specifically Identified	$300,000
Federal Recovery Funds	$846,338
Federal Recovery Funds Not Specifically Identified	$846,338
Other Funds	$125,000
Other Funds - Not Specifically Identified	$125,000

Section 22: Economic Development, Department of

Total Funds	**$109,536,589**
Federal Funds and Grants	**$74,021,318**
Federal Funds Not Specifically Identified	$74,021,318
State Funds	**$35,515,271**
State General Funds	$33,620,285
Tobacco Settlement Funds	$1,894,986

22.1. Departmental Administration

Purpose: The purpose of this appropriation is to influence, affect, and enhance economic development in Georgia and provide information to people and companies to promote the state.

Total Funds	$4,143,943
State Funds	$4,143,943

State General Funds $4,143,943

The above amounts include the following adjustments, additions, and deletions to the previous appropriations act (as amended):

	State Funds	Total Funds
Amount from previous Appropriations Act (HB 106) as amended	$4,051,771	$4,051,771
Provide funds for merit-based pay adjustments and employee recruitment and retention initiatives effective July 1, 2014.	$23,477	$23,477
Increase funds to reflect an adjustment in the employer share of the Employees' Retirement System.	$64,157	$64,157
Reflect an adjustment in TeamWorks billings.	$4,538	$4,538
Amount appropriated in this Act	$4,143,943	$4,143,943

22.2. Film, Video, and Music

Purpose: The purpose of this appropriation is to increase industry awareness of Georgia business opportunities, financial incentives, infrastructure resources, and natural resources in order to attract film, video, music, and electronic gaming industry projects and businesses to the state.

Total Funds $922,534
State Funds $922,534
State General Funds $922,534

The above amounts include the following adjustments, additions, and deletions to the previous appropriations act (as amended):

	State Funds	Total Funds
Amount from previous Appropriations Act (HB 106) as amended	$905,693	$905,693
Provide funds for merit-based pay adjustments and employee recruitment and retention initiatives effective July 1, 2014.	$4,621	$4,621
Increase funds to reflect an adjustment in the employer share of the Employees' Retirement System.	$12,220	$12,220
Amount appropriated in this Act	$922,534	$922,534

22.3. Georgia Council for the Arts

Purpose: The purpose of this appropriation is to provide for Council operations, fund grants and services for non-profit arts and cultural organizations, and maintain the Georgia State Art Collection and Capitol Galleries.

Total Funds $1,256,113
Federal Funds and Grants $659,400
Federal Funds Not Specifically Identified $659,400
State Funds $596,713
State General Funds $596,713

The above amounts include the following adjustments, additions, and deletions to the previous appropriations act (as amended):

	State Funds	Total Funds
Amount from previous Appropriations Act (HB 106) as amended	$586,466	$1,245,866
Provide funds for merit-based pay adjustments and employee recruitment and retention initiatives effective July 1, 2014.	$2,609	$2,609
Increase funds to reflect an adjustment in the employer share of the Employees' Retirement System.	$7,638	$7,638
Increase matching funds for the National Endowment for the Arts federal grant. *(CC:No)*	$0	$0
Amount appropriated in this Act	$596,713	$1,256,113

22.4. Global Commerce

Purpose: The purpose of this appropriation is to promote Georgia as a state that is appealing to businesses along with being competitive in the international trade market; recruit, retain, and expand businesses in Georgia through a network of statewide and regional project managers, foreign and domestic marketing, and participation in Georgia Allies; help develop international markets for Georgia products and attract international companies to the state through business and trade missions, foreign advertising, a network of overseas offices and representatives, and by providing international technical and educational assistance to businesses.

Total Funds	$10,303,748
State Funds	$10,303,748
State General Funds	$10,303,748

The above amounts include the following adjustments, additions, and deletions to the previous appropriations act (as amended):

	State Funds	Total Funds
Amount from previous Appropriations Act (HB 106) as amended	$10,145,635	$10,145,635
Provide funds for merit-based pay adjustments and employee recruitment and retention initiatives effective July 1, 2014.	$42,020	$42,020
Increase funds to reflect an adjustment in the employer share of the Employees' Retirement System.	$116,093	$116,093
Amount appropriated in this Act	$10,303,748	$10,303,748

22.5. Governor’s Office of Workforce Development

Purpose: The purpose of this appropriation is to improve the job training and marketability of Georgia's workforce.

Total Funds	$73,361,918
Federal Funds and Grants	$73,361,918
Federal Funds Not Specifically Identified	$73,361,918

The above amounts include the following adjustments, additions, and deletions to the previous appropriations act (as amended):

	State Funds	Total Funds
Amount from previous Appropriations Act (HB 106) as amended	$0	$0

Transfer the Governor's Office of Workforce Development from the Office of the Governor to the Department of Economic Development.	$0	$73,361,918
Amount appropriated in this Act	$0	$73,361,918

22.6. Innovation and Technology

Purpose: The purpose of this appropriation is to market and promote strategic industries to existing and potential Georgia businesses by partnering businesses with the Centers of Innovation, research universities, incubators, and other companies.

Total Funds	$9,251,723
State Funds	$9,251,723
State General Funds	$7,356,737
Tobacco Settlement Funds	$1,894,986

The above amounts include the following adjustments, additions, and deletions to the previous appropriations act (as amended):

	State Funds	Total Funds
Amount from previous Appropriations Act (HB 106) as amended	$10,533,628	$10,533,628
Provide funds for merit-based pay adjustments and employee recruitment and retention initiatives effective July 1, 2014.	$4,333	$4,333
Increase funds to reflect an adjustment in the employer share of the Employees' Retirement System.	$10,693	$10,693
Reduce funds for Distinguished Cancer Clinicians and Scientists (DCCS) to fund only existing DCCS obligations.	($1,296,931)	($1,296,931)
Amount appropriated in this Act	$9,251,723	$9,251,723

22.7. Small and Minority Business Development

Purpose: The purpose of this appropriation is to assist entrepreneurs and small and minority businesses by providing technical assistance on planning, advocacy, business needs, and identifying potential markets and suppliers, and to provide assistance to local communities in growing small businesses.

Total Funds	$933,140
State Funds	$933,140
State General Funds	$933,140

The above amounts include the following adjustments, additions, and deletions to the previous appropriations act (as amended):

	State Funds	Total Funds
Amount from previous Appropriations Act (HB 106) as amended	$912,002	$912,002
Provide funds for merit-based pay adjustments and employee recruitment and retention initiatives effective July 1, 2014.	$5,863	$5,863
Increase funds to reflect an adjustment in the employer share of the Employees' Retirement System.	$15,275	$15,275
Amount appropriated in this Act	$933,140	$933,140

22.8. Tourism

Purpose: The purpose of this appropriation is to provide information to visitors about tourism opportunities throughout the state, operate and maintain state welcome centers, fund the Georgia Historical Society and Georgia Humanities Council, and work with communities to develop and market tourism products in order to attract more tourism to the state.

Total Funds	$9,363,470
State Funds	$9,363,470
State General Funds	$9,363,470

The above amounts include the following adjustments, additions, and deletions to the previous appropriations act (as amended):

	State Funds	Total Funds
Amount from previous Appropriations Act (HB 106) as amended	$9,304,026	$9,304,026
Provide funds for merit-based pay adjustments and employee recruitment and retention initiatives effective July 1, 2014.	$30,012	$30,012
Increase funds to reflect an adjustment in the employer share of the Employees' Retirement System.	$79,432	$79,432
Increase funds for tourism marketing and music promotion. *(CC:Yes)*	$0	$0
Eliminate one-time funding for a special education project.	($100,000)	($100,000)
Increase funds for the Historic Chattahoochee Commission. *(CC:Increase funds for the Historic Chattahoochee Commission.)*	$5,000	$5,000
Increase funds for the Georgia Historical Society historical marker and historical library programs.	$10,000	$10,000
Increase funds for the Georgia Humanities Council.	$10,000	$10,000
Increase funds for the Georgia Civil War Heritage Trails.	$25,000	$25,000
Amount appropriated in this Act	$9,363,470	$9,363,470

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Total Funds	**$9,637,902,306**
Federal Funds and Grants	**$1,643,907,471**
Federal Funds Not Specifically Identified	$1,643,907,471
Federal Recovery Funds	**$44,117,550**
Federal Recovery Funds Not Specifically Identified	$44,117,550
Other Funds	**$5,395,610**
Other Funds - Not Specifically Identified	$5,395,610
State Funds	**$7,944,481,675**
State General Funds	$7,944,481,675

The formula calculation for Quality Basic Education funding assumes a base unit cost of $2,443.99. In addition, all local school system allotments for Quality Basic Education shall be made in accordance with funds appropriated

by this Act.

23.1. Agricultural Education

Purpose: The purpose of this appropriation is to assist local school systems with developing and funding agricultural education programs, and to provide afterschool and summer educational and leadership opportunities for students.

Total Funds	$8,686,365
Federal Funds and Grants	$293,339
Federal Funds Not Specifically Identified	$293,339
State Funds	$8,393,026
State General Funds	$8,393,026

The above amounts include the following adjustments, additions, and deletions to the previous appropriations act (as amended):

	State Funds	Total Funds
Amount from previous Appropriations Act (HB 106) as amended	$8,005,227	$8,298,566
Provide funds for merit-based pay adjustments and employee recruitment and retention initiatives effective July 1, 2014.	$2,356	$2,356
Increase funds to reflect an adjustment in the employer share of the Teachers' Retirement System from 12.28% to 13.15%.	$1,697	$1,697
Reflect an adjustment in TeamWorks billings.	$427	$427
Annualize Extended Day/Year funds.	$158,319	$158,319
Increase funds for the expansion of Agricultural Education programs in Murray County ($255,000) and Thomas County ($75,000). *(CC:Increase funds for the expansion of Agricultural Education programs for Thomas County, Emanuel County, and Walker County.)*	$225,000	$225,000
Amount appropriated in this Act	$8,393,026	$8,686,365

23.2. Business and Finance Administration

Purpose: The purpose of this appropriation is to provide administrative support for business, finance, facilities, and pupil transportation.

Total Funds	$7,316,570
Federal Funds and Grants	$36,212
Federal Funds Not Specifically Identified	$36,212
State Funds	$7,280,358
State General Funds	$7,280,358

The above amounts include the following adjustments, additions, and deletions to the previous appropriations act (as amended):

	State Funds	Total Funds
Amount from previous Appropriations Act (HB 106) as amended	$7,106,636	$7,142,848
Provide funds for merit-based pay adjustments and employee recruitment and retention initiatives effective July 1, 2014.	$42,777	$42,777
Increase funds to reflect an adjustment in the employer	$120,541	$120,541

share of the Employees' Retirement System.		
Increase funds to reflect an adjustment in the employer share of the Teachers' Retirement System from 12.28% to 13.15%.	$1,355	$1,355
Reflect an adjustment in TeamWorks billings.	$9,049	$9,049
Amount appropriated in this Act	$7,280,358	$7,316,570

23.3. Central Office

Purpose: The purpose of this appropriation is to provide administrative support to the State Board of Education, Departmental programs, and local school systems.

Total Funds	$28,153,567
Federal Funds and Grants	$24,187,822
Federal Funds Not Specifically Identified	$24,187,822
State Funds	$3,965,745
State General Funds	$3,965,745

The above amounts include the following adjustments, additions, and deletions to the previous appropriations act (as amended):

	State Funds	Total Funds
Amount from previous Appropriations Act (HB 106) as amended	$3,818,439	$28,006,261
Provide funds for merit-based pay adjustments and employee recruitment and retention initiatives effective July 1, 2014.	$20,642	$20,642
Increase funds to reflect an adjustment in the employer share of the Employees' Retirement System.	$78,692	$78,692
Increase funds to reflect an adjustment in the employer share of the Teachers' Retirement System from 12.28% to 13.15%.	$6,841	$6,841
Reflect an adjustment in TeamWorks billings.	$6,131	$6,131
Increase funds for the American Association of Adaptive Sports for students with physical disabilities.	$35,000	$35,000
Amount appropriated in this Act	$3,965,745	$28,153,567

23.4. Charter Schools

Purpose: The purpose of this appropriation is to authorize charter schools and charter systems and to provide funds for competitive grants for planning, implementation, facilities, and operations of those entities.

Total Funds	$5,238,312
Federal Funds and Grants	$3,100,000
Federal Funds Not Specifically Identified	$3,100,000
State Funds	$2,138,312
State General Funds	$2,138,312

The above amounts include the following adjustments, additions, and deletions to the previous appropriations act (as amended):

	State Funds	Total Funds
Amount from previous Appropriations Act (HB 106) as	$2,001,290	$5,101,290

amended		
Provide funds for merit-based pay adjustments and employee recruitment and retention initiatives effective July 1, 2014.	$1,854	$1,854
Increase funds to reflect an adjustment in the employer share of the Employees' Retirement System.	$9,656	$9,656
Reflect an adjustment in TeamWorks billings.	$512	$512
Increase funds for planning grants ($50,000) and provide for consultants ($150,000) who will assist systems with IE2 or Charter System applications required to receive Title 20 flexibility. *(CC:Provide $125,000 in one-time funds for planning grants.)*	$125,000	$125,000
Amount appropriated in this Act	$2,138,312	$5,238,312

23.5. Communities in Schools

Purpose: The purpose of this appropriation is to support Performance Learning Centers and maintain a network of local affiliate organizations across the state, and to partner with other state and national organizations to support student success in school and beyond.

Total Funds	$1,033,100
State Funds	$1,033,100
State General Funds	$1,033,100

The above amounts include the following adjustments, additions, and deletions to the previous appropriations act (as amended):

	State Funds	Total Funds
Amount from previous Appropriations Act (HB 106) as amended	$933,100	$933,100
Increase funds for local affiliates.	$100,000	$100,000
Amount appropriated in this Act	$1,033,100	$1,033,100

23.6. Curriculum Development

Purpose: The purpose of this appropriation is to develop a statewide, standards-based curriculum to guide instruction and assessment, and to provide training and instructional resources to teachers for implementing this curriculum.

Total Funds	$6,091,900
Federal Funds and Grants	$2,630,359
Federal Funds Not Specifically Identified	$2,630,359
State Funds	$3,461,541
State General Funds	$3,461,541

The above amounts include the following adjustments, additions, and deletions to the previous appropriations act (as amended):

	State Funds	Total Funds
Amount from previous Appropriations Act (HB 106) as amended	$3,401,648	$6,032,007
Provide funds for merit-based pay adjustments and employee recruitment and retention initiatives effective July 1, 2014.	$15,841	$15,841

Increase funds to reflect an adjustment in the employer share of the Employees' Retirement System.	$37,749	$37,749
Increase funds to reflect an adjustment in the employer share of the Teachers' Retirement System from 12.28% to 13.15%.	$3,185	$3,185
Reflect an adjustment in TeamWorks billings.	$3,118	$3,118
Amount appropriated in this Act	$3,461,541	$6,091,900

23.7. Federal Programs

Purpose: The purpose of this appropriation is to coordinate federally funded programs and allocate federal funds to school systems.

Total Funds	$1,013,433,450
Federal Funds and Grants	$970,549,849
Federal Funds Not Specifically Identified	$970,549,849
Federal Recovery Funds	$42,883,601
Federal Recovery Funds Not Specifically Identified	$42,883,601

23.8. Georgia Virtual School

Purpose: The purpose of this appropriation is to expand the accessibility and breadth of course offerings so that Georgia students can recover credits, access supplementary resources, enhance their studies, or earn additional credits in a manner not involving on-site interaction with a teacher.

Total Funds	$5,573,690
Other Funds	$2,406,200
Other Funds - Not Specifically Identified	$2,406,200
State Funds	$3,167,490
State General Funds	$3,167,490

The above amounts include the following adjustments, additions, and deletions to the previous appropriations act (as amended):

	State Funds	Total Funds
Amount from previous Appropriations Act (HB 106) as amended	$3,068,852	$5,475,052
Provide funds for merit-based pay adjustments and employee recruitment and retention initiatives effective July 1, 2014.	$38,768	$38,768
Increase funds to reflect an adjustment in the employer share of the Employees' Retirement System.	$1,767	$1,767
Increase funds to reflect an adjustment in the employer share of the Teachers' Retirement System from 12.28% to 13.15%.	$23,567	$23,567
Increase funds for course development.	$350,000	$350,000
Transfer funds for blended learning trainers from the Georgia Virtual School to the Regional Education Service Agencies (RESAs).	($315,464)	($315,464)
Amount appropriated in this Act	$3,167,490	$5,573,690

23.9. Governor's Honors Program

Purpose: The purpose of this appropriation is to provide gifted high school students a summer program of challenging and enriching educational opportunities not usually available during the regular school year.

Total Funds $0

The above amounts include the following adjustments, additions, and deletions to the previous appropriations act (as amended):

	State Funds	Total Funds
Amount from previous Appropriations Act (HB 106) as amended	$961,934	$961,934
Reflect an Executive Order signed July 26, 2013 to transfer the Governor's Honors Program to the Governor's Office of Student Achievement.	($961,934)	($961,934)
Amount appropriated in this Act	$0	$0

23.10. Information Technology Services

Purpose: The purpose of this appropriation is to manage enterprise technology for the department, provide internet access to local school systems, support data collection and reporting needs, and support technology programs that assist local school systems.

Total Funds	$18,518,564
Federal Funds and Grants	$1,305,535
Federal Funds Not Specifically Identified	$1,305,535
State Funds	$17,213,029
State General Funds	$17,213,029

The above amounts include the following adjustments, additions, and deletions to the previous appropriations act (as amended):

	State Funds	Total Funds
Amount from previous Appropriations Act (HB 106) as amended	$16,027,384	$17,332,919
Provide funds for merit-based pay adjustments and employee recruitment and retention initiatives effective July 1, 2014.	$51,696	$51,696
Increase funds to reflect an adjustment in the employer share of the Employees' Retirement System.	$136,239	$136,239
Increase funds to reflect an adjustment in the employer share of the Teachers' Retirement System from 12.28% to 13.15%.	$4,404	$4,404
Reflect an adjustment in TeamWorks billings.	$11,066	$11,066
Reflect a change in the program purpose statement. *(CC:Yes)*	$0	$0
Increase funds for application development and support and systems training for local school systems.	$982,240	$982,240
Amount appropriated in this Act	$17,213,029	$18,518,564

23.11. Non Quality Basic Education Formula Grants

Purpose: The purpose of this appropriation is to fund specific initiatives, including children in residential education facilities and sparsity grants.

Total Funds	$10,900,885
State Funds	$10,900,885
State General Funds	$10,900,885

The above amounts include the following adjustments, additions, and deletions to the previous appropriations act (as amended):

	State Funds	Total Funds
Amount from previous Appropriations Act (HB 106) as amended	$6,754,029	$6,754,029
Provide funds for merit-based pay adjustments and employee recruitment and retention initiatives effective July 1, 2014.	$43,088	$43,088
Increase funds to reflect an adjustment in the employer share of the Teachers' Retirement System from 12.28% to 13.15%.	$32,579	$32,579
Increase funds for Sparsity Grants for 34 newly qualified schools. *(CC:Increase funds for Sparsity Grants for 22 newly qualified school systems ($2,516,320) and provide a one-time hold harmless for Sparsity Grants for the existing 21 school systems based on a provisional calculation methodology ($676,830).)*	$3,193,150	$3,193,150
Increase funds for enrollment growth in Residential Treatment Centers. *(CC:Increase funds for enrollment growth and reflect a paraprofessional ratio of 1:8 for AWO and 1:5 for PRTF and MWO Residential Treatment Centers.)*	$878,039	$878,039
Amount appropriated in this Act	$10,900,885	$10,900,885

23.12. Nutrition

Purpose: The purpose of this appropriation is to provide leadership, training, technical assistance, and resources, so local program personnel can deliver meals that support nutritional well-being and performance at school and comply with federal standards.

Total Funds	$602,797,661
Federal Funds and Grants	$579,943,528
Federal Funds Not Specifically Identified	$579,943,528
State Funds	$22,854,133
State General Funds	$22,854,133

The above amounts include the following adjustments, additions, and deletions to the previous appropriations act (as amended):

	State Funds	Total Funds
Amount from previous Appropriations Act (HB 106) as amended	$22,847,313	$602,790,841
Provide funds for merit-based pay adjustments and employee recruitment and retention initiatives effective July 1, 2014.	$2,847	$2,847
Increase funds to reflect an adjustment in the employer share of the Employees' Retirement System.	$2,514	$2,514
Increase funds to reflect an adjustment in the employer share of the Teachers' Retirement System from 12.28% to 13.15%.	$1,118	$1,118

Reflect an adjustment in TeamWorks billings.	$341	$341
Amount appropriated in this Act	$22,854,133	$602,797,661

23.13. Preschool Handicapped

Purpose: The purpose of this appropriation is to provide early educational services to three- and four-year-old students with disabilities so that they enter school better prepared to succeed.

Total Funds	$30,051,758
State Funds	$30,051,758
State General Funds	$30,051,758

The above amounts include the following adjustments, additions, and deletions to the previous appropriations act (as amended):

	State Funds	Total Funds
Amount from previous Appropriations Act (HB 106) as amended	$29,176,324	$29,176,324
Provide funds for merit-based pay adjustments and employee recruitment and retention initiatives effective July 1, 2014.	$245,367	$245,367
Increase funds to reflect an adjustment in the employer share of the Teachers' Retirement System from 12.28% to 13.15%.	$186,173	$186,173
Increase funds for training and experience.	$443,894	$443,894
Amount appropriated in this Act	$30,051,758	$30,051,758

23.14. Quality Basic Education Equalization

Purpose: The purpose of this appropriation is to provide additional financial assistance to local school systems ranking below the statewide average of per pupil tax wealth as outlined in O.C.G.A. 20-2-165.

Total Funds	$479,385,097
State Funds	$479,385,097
State General Funds	$479,385,097

The above amounts include the following adjustments, additions, and deletions to the previous appropriations act (as amended):

	State Funds	Total Funds
Amount from previous Appropriations Act (HB 106) as amended	$474,433,734	$474,433,734
Increase funds for the Equalization Grant.	$4,951,363	$4,951,363
Amount appropriated in this Act	$479,385,097	$479,385,097

23.15. Quality Basic Education Local Five Mill Share

Purpose: The purpose of this program is to recognize the required local portion of the Quality Basic Education program as outlined in O.C.G.A. 20-2-164.

Total Funds	($1,673,940,124)
State Funds	($1,673,940,124)
State General Funds	($1,673,940,124)

The above amounts include the following adjustments, additions, and deletions to the previous appropriations act (as amended):		
	State Funds	Total Funds
Amount from previous Appropriations Act (HB 106) as amended	($1,702,793,044)	($1,702,793,044)
Adjust funds for the Local Five Mill Share.	$28,852,920	$28,852,920
Amount appropriated in this Act	($1,673,940,124)	($1,673,940,124)

23.16. Quality Basic Education Program

Purpose: The purpose of this appropriation is to provide formula funds to school systems based on full time equivalent students for the instruction of students in grades K-12 as outlined in O.C.G.A. 20-2-161.

Total Funds	$8,874,196,642
State Funds	$8,874,196,642
State General Funds	$8,874,196,642

The above amounts include the following adjustments, additions, and deletions to the previous appropriations act (as amended):		
	State Funds	Total Funds
Amount from previous Appropriations Act (HB 106) as amended	$8,393,652,806	$8,393,652,806
Increase funds to reflect an adjustment in the employer share of the Teachers' Retirement System from 12.28% to 13.15%.	$57,409,965	$57,409,965
Increase funds for enrollment growth and training and experience. *(CC:Increase funds for enrollment growth, training and experience, and recognize updated calculations.)*	$99,944,400	$99,944,400
Increase funds for differentiated pay for newly certified math and science teachers.	$1,023,346	$1,023,346
Increase funds for charter systems grants.	$1,817,517	$1,817,517
Adjust funds for School Nurses. *(CC:Increase the Registered Nurse base salary from $42,000 to $45,000, increase the state share of the nurse formula to 50% and reflect non-certificated health insurance payment practices for school system employees.)*	$414,585	$414,585
Increase funds for Special Needs Scholarships to meet projected need.	$5,492,289	$5,492,289
Increase funds for Move on When Ready.	$146,160	$146,160
Increase funds to offset the austerity reduction in order to provide local educational authorities the flexibility to eliminate teacher furlough days, increase instructional days, and increase teacher salaries.	$314,295,574	$314,295,574
Amount appropriated in this Act	$8,874,196,642	$8,874,196,642

23.17. Regional Education Service Agencies (RESAs)

Purpose: The purpose of this appropriation is to provide Georgia's sixteen Regional Education Service Agencies with funds to assist local school systems with improving the effectiveness of their educational programs by providing curriculum consultation, skill enhancement, professional development,

technology training, and other shared services.

Total Funds	$9,941,168
State Funds	$9,941,168
State General Funds	$9,941,168

The above amounts include the following adjustments, additions, and deletions to the previous appropriations act (as amended):

	State Funds	Total Funds
Amount from previous Appropriations Act (HB 106) as amended	$8,425,704	$8,425,704
Increase funds for Positive Behavior and Intervention Supports (PBIS) trainers.	$560,000	$560,000
Redirect funds ($720,000) for Education Technology Centers to RESA English/Language Arts Specialists. *(CC:Yes)*	$0	$0
Increase funds for technology support.	$640,000	$640,000
Transfer funds for blended learning trainers from the Georgia Virtual School to the Regional Education Service Agencies (RESAs).	$315,464	$315,464
Amount appropriated in this Act	$9,941,168	$9,941,168

23.18. School Improvement

Purpose: The purpose of this appropriation is to provide research, technical assistance, resources, teacher professional learning, and leadership training for low-performing schools and local educational agencies to help them design and implement school improvement strategies to improve graduation rates and overall student achievement.

Total Funds	$10,769,936
Federal Funds and Grants	$3,441,840
Federal Funds Not Specifically Identified	$3,441,840
Federal Recovery Funds	$1,233,949
Federal Recovery Funds Not Specifically Identified	$1,233,949
State Funds	$6,094,147
State General Funds	$6,094,147

The above amounts include the following adjustments, additions, and deletions to the previous appropriations act (as amended):

	State Funds	Total Funds
Amount from previous Appropriations Act (HB 106) as amended	$5,957,474	$10,633,263
Provide funds for merit-based pay adjustments and employee recruitment and retention initiatives effective July 1, 2014.	$38,517	$38,517
Increase funds to reflect an adjustment in the employer share of the Employees' Retirement System.	$90,837	$90,837
Increase funds to reflect an adjustment in the employer share of the Teachers' Retirement System from 12.28% to 13.15%.	$6,637	$6,637
Reflect an adjustment in TeamWorks billings.	$682	$682
Increase funds to provide additional support for school	$0	$0

improvement. *(CC:No)*		
Work in concert with the Charter School Division to assist schools and systems in the development of academic waiver requests, and the academic waiver portion of their IE2 or Charter System applications where student accountability gains are exchanged for flexibility granted. *(CC:Yes; Work in concert with the Charter School Division to assist schools and systems in the development of academic waiver requests.)*	$0	$0
Amount appropriated in this Act	$6,094,147	$10,769,936

23.19. Georgia Network for Educational and Therapeutic Support (GNETS)

Purpose: The purpose of this appropriation is to fund the Georgia Network for Educational and Therapeutic Support (GNETS), which provides services, education, and resources for students ages three to twenty-one with autism or severe emotional behavioral problems and their families.

Total Funds	$70,121,479
Federal Funds and Grants	$8,040,000
Federal Funds Not Specifically Identified	$8,040,000
State Funds	$62,081,479
State General Funds	$62,081,479

The above amounts include the following adjustments, additions, and deletions to the previous appropriations act (as amended):

	State Funds	Total Funds
Amount from previous Appropriations Act (HB 106) as amended	$60,103,747	$68,143,747
Provide funds for merit-based pay adjustments and employee recruitment and retention initiatives effective July 1, 2014.	$526,102	$526,102
Increase funds to reflect an adjustment in the employer share of the Teachers' Retirement System from 12.28% to 13.15%.	$399,346	$399,346
Reflect a change in the program name. *(CC:Yes)*	$0	$0
Increase funds for training and experience.	$1,052,284	$1,052,284
Amount appropriated in this Act	$62,081,479	$70,121,479

23.20. State Charter School Commission Administration

Purpose: The purpose of this appropriation is to focus on the development and support of state charter schools in order to better meet the growing and diverse needs of students in this state and to further ensure that state charter schools of the highest academic quality are approved and supported throughout the state in an efficient manner.

Total Funds	$2,031,821
Other Funds	$2,031,821
Other Funds - Not Specifically Identified	$2,031,821

23.21. State Interagency Transfers

Purpose: The purpose of this appropriation is to pass through funding for special education services in other state agencies, teachers' retirement, and vocational funding for the post-secondary vocational education agency.

Total Funds	$22,721,078
Federal Funds and Grants	$14,623,115
Federal Funds Not Specifically Identified	$14,623,115
State Funds	$8,097,963
State General Funds	$8,097,963

23.22. State Schools

Purpose: The purpose of this appropriation is to prepare sensory-impaired and multi-disabled students to become productive citizens by providing a learning environment addressing their academic, vocational, and social development.

Total Funds	$26,772,970
Other Funds	$957,589
Other Funds - Not Specifically Identified	$957,589
State Funds	$25,815,381
State General Funds	$25,815,381

The above amounts include the following adjustments, additions, and deletions to the previous appropriations act (as amended):

	State Funds	Total Funds
Amount from previous Appropriations Act (HB 106) as amended	$24,979,573	$25,937,162
Provide funds for merit-based pay adjustments and employee recruitment and retention initiatives effective July 1, 2014.	$153,677	$153,677
Increase funds to reflect an adjustment in the employer share of the Employees' Retirement System.	$315,672	$315,672
Increase funds to reflect an adjustment in the employer share of the Teachers' Retirement System from 12.28% to 13.15%.	$41,132	$41,132
Increase funds for training and experience.	$325,327	$325,327
Amount appropriated in this Act	$25,815,381	$26,772,970

23.23. Technology/Career Education

Purpose: The purpose of this appropriation is to equip students with academic, vocational, technical, and leadership skills and to extend learning opportunities beyond the traditional school day and year.

Total Funds	$34,863,689
Federal Funds and Grants	$18,751,202
Federal Funds Not Specifically Identified	$18,751,202
State Funds	$16,112,487
State General Funds	$16,112,487

The above amounts include the following adjustments, additions, and deletions to the previous appropriations act (as amended):

	State Funds	Total Funds
Amount from previous Appropriations Act (HB 106) as amended	$15,326,811	$34,078,013
Provide funds for merit-based pay adjustments and employee recruitment and retention initiatives effective July 1, 2014.	$10,290	$10,290
Increase funds to reflect an adjustment in the employer share of the Employees' Retirement System.	$19,681	$19,681
Increase funds to reflect an adjustment in the employer share of the Teachers' Retirement System from 12.28% to 13.15%.	$2,818	$2,818
Reflect an adjustment in TeamWorks billings.	$1,791	$1,791
Annualize Extended Day/Year funds.	$158,319	$158,319
Increase funds for vocational industry certification and technology.	$592,777	$592,777
Amount appropriated in this Act	$16,112,487	$34,863,689

23.24. Testing

Purpose: The purpose of this appropriation is to administer the statewide student assessment program and provide related testing instruments and training to local schools.

Total Funds	$41,690,782
Federal Funds and Grants	$17,004,670
Federal Funds Not Specifically Identified	$17,004,670
State Funds	$24,686,112
State General Funds	$24,686,112

The above amounts include the following adjustments, additions, and deletions to the previous appropriations act (as amended):

	State Funds	Total Funds
Amount from previous Appropriations Act (HB 106) as amended	$15,454,204	$32,458,874
Provide funds for merit-based pay adjustments and employee recruitment and retention initiatives effective July 1, 2014.	$13,127	$13,127
Increase funds to reflect an adjustment in the employer share of the Employees' Retirement System.	$21,094	$21,094
Increase funds to reflect an adjustment in the employer share of the Teachers' Retirement System from 12.28% to 13.15%.	$5,216	$5,216
Reflect an adjustment in TeamWorks billings.	$2,471	$2,471
Provide funds for PSAT administration.	$1,190,000	$1,190,000
Increase funds for test redevelopment for the Criterion-Referenced Competency Tests and the End of Course Tests.	$8,000,000	$8,000,000
Amount appropriated in this Act	$24,686,112	$41,690,782

23.25. Tuition for Multi-handicapped

Purpose: The purpose of this appropriation is to partially reimburse school systems for private residential placements when the school system is unable to

provide an appropriate program for a multi-handicapped student.

Total Funds	$1,551,946
State Funds	$1,551,946
State General Funds	$1,551,946

Section 24: Employees' Retirement System

Total Funds	**$53,588,464**
Other Funds	**$4,025,785**
Agency Funds	$4,025,785
State Funds	**$30,369,769**
State General Funds	$30,369,769
Intra-State Government Transfers	**$19,192,910**
Retirement Payments	$19,192,910

It is the intent of the General Assembly that the employer contribution rate for the Employees' Retirement System shall not exceed 21.96% for New Plan employees and 17.21% for Old Plan employees. For the GSEPS employees, the employer contribution rate shall not exceed 18.87% for the pension portion of the benefit and 3.0% in employer match contributions for the 401(k) portion of the benefit. It is the intent of the General Assembly that the employer contribution for Public School Employees' Retirement System shall not exceed $736.31 per member for State Fiscal Year 2015.

24.1. Deferred Compensation

Purpose: The purpose of this appropriation is to provide excellent service to participants in the deferred compensation program for all employees of the state, giving them an effective supplement for their retirement planning.

Total Funds	$4,025,785
Other Funds	$4,025,785
Agency Funds	$4,025,785

The above amounts include the following adjustments, additions, and deletions to the previous appropriations act (as amended):

	State Funds	Total Funds
Amount from previous Appropriations Act (HB 106) as amended	$0	$3,857,127
Increase other funds to reflect an adjustment in the employer share for the Employees' Retirement System ($5,658) and for contractual services ($163,000).	$0	$168,658
Amount appropriated in this Act	$0	$4,025,785

24.2. Georgia Military Pension Fund

Purpose: The purpose of this appropriation is to provide retirement allowances and other benefits for members of the Georgia National Guard.

Total Funds	$1,893,369

State Funds	$1,893,369
State General Funds	$1,893,369

The above amounts include the following adjustments, additions, and deletions to the previous appropriations act (as amended):

	State Funds	Total Funds
Amount from previous Appropriations Act (HB 106) as amended	$1,891,720	$1,891,720
Increase funds for the annual required contribution in accordance with the most recent actuarial report.	$1,649	$1,649
Amount appropriated in this Act	$1,893,369	$1,893,369

24.3. Public School Employees Retirement System

Purpose: The purpose of this appropriation is to account for the receipt of retirement contributions, ensure sound investing of system funds, and provide timely and accurate payment of retirement benefits.

Total Funds	$28,461,000
State Funds	$28,461,000
State General Funds	$28,461,000

The above amounts include the following adjustments, additions, and deletions to the previous appropriations act (as amended):

	State Funds	Total Funds
Amount from previous Appropriations Act (HB 106) as amended	$27,160,000	$27,160,000
Increase funds for the annual required contribution in accordance with the most recent actuarial report.	$1,301,000	$1,301,000
Amount appropriated in this Act	$28,461,000	$28,461,000

24.4. System Administration

Purpose: The purpose of this appropriation is to collect employee and employer contributions, invest the accumulated funds, and disburse retirement benefits to members and beneficiaries.

Total Funds	$19,208,310
State Funds	$15,400
State General Funds	$15,400
Intra-State Government Transfers	$19,192,910
Retirement Payments	$19,192,910

The above amounts include the following adjustments, additions, and deletions to the previous appropriations act (as amended):

	State Funds	Total Funds
Amount from previous Appropriations Act (HB 106) as amended	$0	$18,747,375
Increase other funds to reflect an adjustment in the employer share for the Employees' Retirement System ($178,479) and increases in contractual services ($267,056).	$0	$445,535
Provide funding for the state's social security administration.	$10,400	$10,400

Increase funds for HB 477 (2014 Session) as required by the actuary.	$5,000	$5,000
Amount appropriated in this Act	$15,400	$19,208,310

Section 25: Forestry Commission, Georgia

Total Funds	**$45,987,096**
Federal Funds and Grants	**$5,982,769**
Federal Funds Not Specifically Identified	$5,982,769
Other Funds	**$6,995,695**
Agency Funds	$428,645
Other Funds - Not Specifically Identified	$6,567,050
State Funds	**$32,958,632**
State General Funds	$32,958,632
Intra-State Government Transfers	**$50,000**
Other Intra-State Government Payments	$50,000

25.1. Commission Administration

Purpose: The purpose of this appropriation is to administer workforce needs, handle purchasing, accounts receivable and payable, meet information technology needs, and provide oversight that emphasizes customer values and process innovation.

Total Funds	$3,526,653
Federal Funds and Grants	$48,800
Federal Funds Not Specifically Identified	$48,800
Other Funds	$76,288
Other Funds - Not Specifically Identified	$76,288
State Funds	$3,401,565
State General Funds	$3,401,565

The above amounts include the following adjustments, additions, and deletions to the previous appropriations act (as amended):

	State Funds	Total Funds
Amount from previous Appropriations Act (HB 106) as amended	$3,340,579	$3,465,667
Provide funds for merit-based pay adjustments and employee recruitment and retention initiatives effective July 1, 2014.	$18,659	$18,659
Increase funds to reflect an adjustment in the employer share of the Employees' Retirement System.	$39,601	$39,601
Reflect an adjustment in TeamWorks billings.	$2,726	$2,726
Amount appropriated in this Act	$3,401,565	$3,526,653

25.2. Forest Management

Purpose: The purpose of this appropriation is to ensure the stewardship of forest lands; to collect and analyze state forestry inventory data; to administer

federal forestry cost share assistance programs; to study forest health and invasive species control issues; to manage state-owned forests; to educate private forest landowners and timber harvesters about best management practices; to assist communities with management of forested greenspace; to promote and obtain conservation easements; to manage Georgia's Carbon Registry; to promote retention, investment, and/or expansion of new emerging and existing forest and forest biomass industries, and, during extreme fire danger, to provide logistical, overhead, and direct fire suppression assistance to the Forest Protection program.

Total Funds	$7,124,776
Federal Funds and Grants	$3,553,571
Federal Funds Not Specifically Identified	$3,553,571
Other Funds	$1,089,732
Agency Funds	$428,645
Other Funds - Not Specifically Identified	$661,087
State Funds	$2,431,473
State General Funds	$2,431,473
Intra-State Government Transfers	$50,000
Other Intra-State Government Payments	$50,000

The above amounts include the following adjustments, additions, and deletions to the previous appropriations act (as amended):

	State Funds	Total Funds
Amount from previous Appropriations Act (HB 106) as amended	$2,214,748	$6,908,051
Provide funds for merit-based pay adjustments and employee recruitment and retention initiatives effective July 1, 2014.	$12,306	$12,306
Increase funds to reflect an adjustment in the employer share of the Employees' Retirement System.	$72,782	$72,782
Increase funds for personnel for the employee retention plan for foresters and forest inventory analysis personnel.	$131,637	$131,637
Amount appropriated in this Act	$2,431,473	$7,124,776

25.3. Forest Protection

Purpose: The purpose of this appropriation is to ensure an aggressive and efficient response and suppression of forest fires in the unincorporated areas of the State; to mitigate hazardous forest fuels; to issue burn permits; to provide statewide education in the prevention of wildfires; to perform wildfire arson investigations; to promote community wildland fire planning and protection through cooperative agreements with fire departments; to train and certify firefighters in wildland firefighting; to provide assistance and support to rural fire departments including selling wildland fire engines and tankers; and to support the Forest Management program during periods of low fire danger.

Total Funds	$34,128,587
Federal Funds and Grants	$2,246,681

Federal Funds Not Specifically Identified	$2,246,681
Other Funds	$4,756,312
Other Funds - Not Specifically Identified	$4,756,312
State Funds	$27,125,594
State General Funds	$27,125,594

The above amounts include the following adjustments, additions, and deletions to the previous appropriations act (as amended):

	State Funds	Total Funds
Amount from previous Appropriations Act (HB 106) as amended	$24,901,192	$31,904,185
Provide funds for merit-based pay adjustments and employee recruitment and retention initiatives effective July 1, 2014.	$158,059	$158,059
Increase funds to reflect an adjustment in the employer share of the Employees' Retirement System.	$355,216	$355,216
Provide funding to begin the employee retention plan for rangers, chief rangers, foresters and forester inventory analysis personnel. *(CC:Increase funds for personnel for the employee retention plan for rangers and chief rangers.)*	$1,711,127	$1,711,127
Amount appropriated in this Act	$27,125,594	$34,128,587

25.4. Tree Seedling Nursery

Purpose: The purpose of this appropriation is to produce an adequate quantity of high quality forest tree seedlings for sale at reasonable cost to Georgia landowners.

Total Funds	$1,207,080
Federal Funds and Grants	$133,717
Federal Funds Not Specifically Identified	$133,717
Other Funds	$1,073,363
Other Funds - Not Specifically Identified	$1,073,363

Section 26: Governor, Office of the

Total Funds	**$84,107,873**
Federal Funds and Grants	**$30,183,850**
Federal Funds Not Specifically Identified	$30,183,850
Other Funds	**$1,576,045**
Other Funds - Not Specifically Identified	$1,576,045
State Funds	**$52,347,978**
State General Funds	$52,347,978

There is hereby appropriated to the Office of the Governor the sum of $500,000 of the moneys collected in accordance with O.C.G.A. Title 10, Chapter 1, Article 28. The sum of money is appropriated for use by the Office of Consumer Protection for all the purposes for which such moneys may be appropriated pursuant to Article 28.

The Mansion allowance shall be $40,000.

26.1. Governor's Emergency Fund

Purpose: The purpose of this appropriation is to provide emergency funds to draw on when disasters create extraordinary demands on government.

Total Funds	$11,062,041
State Funds	$11,062,041
State General Funds	$11,062,041

The above amounts include the following adjustments, additions, and deletions to the previous appropriations act (as amended):

	State Funds	Total Funds
Amount from previous Appropriations Act (HB 106) as amended	$15,801,567	$15,801,567
Reduce funds for the Unemployment Trust Fund loan interest payment due September 30, 2014.	($4,739,526)	($4,739,526)
Amount appropriated in this Act	$11,062,041	$11,062,041

26.2. Governor's Office

Purpose: The purpose of this appropriation is to provide numerous duties including, but not limited to: granting commissions, appointments and vacancies, maintaining order, and temporary transfer of institutions between departments or agencies. The Mansion allowance per O.C.G.A. 45-7-4 shall be $40,000.

Total Funds	$6,172,026
Other Funds	$100,000
Other Funds - Not Specifically Identified	$100,000
State Funds	$6,072,026
State General Funds	$6,072,026

The above amounts include the following adjustments, additions, and deletions to the previous appropriations act (as amended):

	State Funds	Total Funds
Amount from previous Appropriations Act (HB 106) as amended	$5,939,333	$6,039,333
Provide funds for merit-based pay adjustments and employee recruitment and retention initiatives effective July 1, 2014.	$37,708	$37,708
Increase funds to reflect an adjustment in the employer share of the Employees' Retirement System.	$94,985	$94,985
Amount appropriated in this Act	$6,072,026	$6,172,026

26.3. Governor's Office of Planning and Budget

Purpose: The purpose of this appropriation is to improve state government operations and services by leading and assisting in the evaluation, development, and implementation of budgets, plans, programs, and policies.

Total Funds	$8,353,713
State Funds	$8,353,713

State General Funds $8,353,713

The above amounts include the following adjustments, additions, and deletions to the previous appropriations act (as amended):

	State Funds	Total Funds
Amount from previous Appropriations Act (HB 106) as amended	$7,882,085	$7,882,085
Provide funds for merit-based pay adjustments and employee recruitment and retention initiatives effective July 1, 2014.	$46,285	$46,285
Increase funds to reflect an adjustment in the employer share of the Employees' Retirement System.	$108,572	$108,572
Reflect an adjustment in TeamWorks billings.	$13,503	$13,503
Increase funds for real estate rent.	$92,908	$92,908
Provide one-time funds for office relocation.	$200,000	$200,000
Increase funds for contracts.	$10,360	$10,360
Amount appropriated in this Act	$8,353,713	$8,353,713

The following appropriations are for agencies attached for administrative purposes.

26.4. Child Advocate, Office of the

Purpose: The purpose of this appropriation is to provide independent oversight of persons, organizations, and agencies responsible for the protection and well-being of children.

Total Funds $893,266

Federal Funds and Grants $5,000

Federal Funds Not Specifically Identified $5,000

State Funds $888,266

State General Funds $888,266

The above amounts include the following adjustments, additions, and deletions to the previous appropriations act (as amended):

	State Funds	Total Funds
Amount from previous Appropriations Act (HB 106) as amended	$822,742	$912,300
Provide funds for merit-based pay adjustments and employee recruitment and retention initiatives effective July 1, 2014.	$5,979	$5,979
Increase funds to reflect an adjustment in the employer share of the Employees' Retirement System.	$15,705	$15,705
Transfer funds for Guardians ad Litem training activities to the Criminal Justice Coordinating Council (CJCC).	$0	($5,000)
Transfer $44,430 and one position for child fatality review activities to the Department of Human Services (DHS).	($44,430)	($49,430)
Transfer funds for forensic interview training activities to the Child Welfare Services - Special Project program in the DHS.	$0	($74,558)
Increase funds to reflect projected personal services and operating expenditures.	$88,270	$88,270

Amount appropriated in this Act	$888,266	$893,266

26.5. Children and Families, Governor's Office for

Purpose: The purpose of this appropriation is to enhance coordination and communication among providers and stakeholders of services to families.

Total Funds	$1,493,383
Federal Funds and Grants	$63,738
Federal Funds Not Specifically Identified	$63,738
State Funds	$1,429,645
State General Funds	$1,429,645

The above amounts include the following adjustments, additions, and deletions to the previous appropriations act (as amended):

	State Funds	Total Funds
Amount from previous Appropriations Act (HB 106) as amended	$3,144,229	$11,560,295
Provide funds for merit-based pay adjustments and employee recruitment and retention initiatives effective July 1, 2014.	$1,206	$1,206
Increase funds to reflect an adjustment in the employer share of the Employees' Retirement System.	$3,439	$3,439
Transfer funds and one position for commercial sexual exploitation prevention initiatives activities to the CJCC.	$0	($991,680)
Transfer $260,545 and four positions to the CJCC for juvenile justice court/system improvement and juvenile justice system compliance and research activities.	($260,545)	($2,646,337)
Transfer $279,000 and five positions for family violence activities to the CJCC.	($279,000)	($506,297)
Transfer $1,179,684 and six positions to the Child Welfare Services - Special Project program in the DHS for child abuse and neglect prevention and home visiting activities. *(CC:Transfer $1,179,684 and six positions to the Child Welfare Services - Special Project program in the DHS for child abuse and neglect prevention and home visiting activities.)*	($1,179,684)	($4,752,243)
Transfer funds to the Child Welfare Services - Special Project program in the DHS for child advocacy centers.	$0	($1,175,000)
Amount appropriated in this Act	$1,429,645	$1,493,383

26.6. Emergency Management Agency, Georgia

Purpose: The purpose of this appropriation is to provide a disaster, mitigation, preparedness, response, and recovery program by coordinating federal, state, and other resources and supporting local governments to respond to major disasters and emergency events, and to coordinate state resources for the preparation and prevention of threats and acts of terrorism and to serve as the State's point of contact for the federal Department of Homeland Security.

Total Funds	$32,651,548
Federal Funds and Grants	$29,703,182

Federal Funds Not Specifically Identified	$29,703,182
Other Funds	$807,856
Other Funds - Not Specifically Identified	$807,856
State Funds	$2,140,510
State General Funds	$2,140,510

The above amounts include the following adjustments, additions, and deletions to the previous appropriations act (as amended):

	State Funds	Total Funds
Amount from previous Appropriations Act (HB 106) as amended	$2,089,213	$32,600,251
Provide funds for merit-based pay adjustments and employee recruitment and retention initiatives effective July 1, 2014.	$14,544	$14,544
Increase funds to reflect an adjustment in the employer share of the Employees' Retirement System.	$36,753	$36,753
Amount appropriated in this Act	$2,140,510	$32,651,548

26.7. Georgia Commission on Equal Opportunity

Purpose: The purpose of this appropriation is to enforce the Georgia Fair Employment Practices Act of 1978, as amended, and the Fair Housing Act, which makes it unlawful to discriminate against any individual.

Total Funds	$670,414
State Funds	$670,414
State General Funds	$670,414

The above amounts include the following adjustments, additions, and deletions to the previous appropriations act (as amended):

	State Funds	Total Funds
Amount from previous Appropriations Act (HB 106) as amended	$653,584	$653,584
Provide funds for merit-based pay adjustments and employee recruitment and retention initiatives effective July 1, 2014.	$4,720	$4,720
Increase funds to reflect an adjustment in the employer share of the Employees' Retirement System.	$12,110	$12,110
Amount appropriated in this Act	$670,414	$670,414

26.8. Georgia Professional Standards Commission

Purpose: The purpose of this appropriation is to direct the preparation of, certify, recognize, and recruit Georgia educators, and to enforce standards regarding educator professional preparation, performance, and ethics.

Total Funds	$6,686,770
Federal Funds and Grants	$411,930
Federal Funds Not Specifically Identified	$411,930
Other Funds	$500
Other Funds - Not Specifically Identified	$500
State Funds	$6,274,340

State General Funds $6,274,340

The above amounts include the following adjustments, additions, and deletions to the previous appropriations act (as amended):

	State Funds	Total Funds
Amount from previous Appropriations Act (HB 106) as amended	$6,122,763	$6,535,193
Provide funds for merit-based pay adjustments and employee recruitment and retention initiatives effective July 1, 2014.	$35,408	$35,408
Increase funds to reflect an adjustment in the employer share of the Employees' Retirement System.	$115,351	$115,351
Increase funds to reflect an adjustment in the employer share of the Teachers' Retirement System from 12.28% to 13.15%.	$818	$818
Redirect $250,000 in one-time funds to Georgia's Academic and Workforce Analysis and Research Data System (GA AWARDS) and for HB 283 (2013 Session) implementation. *(CC:Yes)*	$0	$0
Amount appropriated in this Act	$6,274,340	$6,686,770

26.9. Governor's Office of Consumer Protection

Purpose: The purpose of this appropriation is to protect consumers and legitimate business enterprises from unfair and deceptive business practices through the enforcement of the Fair Business Practices Act and other related consumer protection statutes.

Total Funds $5,342,964
Other Funds $667,689
Other Funds - Not Specifically Identified $667,689
State Funds $4,675,275
State General Funds $4,675,275

The above amounts include the following adjustments, additions, and deletions to the previous appropriations act (as amended):

	State Funds	Total Funds
Amount from previous Appropriations Act (HB 106) as amended	$5,105,826	$6,520,579
Provide funds for merit-based pay adjustments and employee recruitment and retention initiatives effective July 1, 2014.	$33,893	$33,893
Increase funds to reflect an adjustment in the employer share of the Employees' Retirement System.	$87,732	$87,732
Eliminate funds and three filled positions for call-center outreach services.	($433,033)	($433,033)
Reduce funds to reflect savings as a result of the transfer of the 1-800 Call Center to the Georgia Technology Authority.	($119,143)	($866,207)
Amount appropriated in this Act	$4,675,275	$5,342,964

26.10. Governor's Office of Workforce Development

Purpose: The purpose of this appropriation is to improve the job training and

marketability of Georgia's workforce.

Total Funds $0

The above amounts include the following adjustments, additions, and deletions to the previous appropriations act (as amended):

	State Funds	Total Funds
Amount from previous Appropriations Act (HB 106) as amended	$0	$73,361,918
Transfer funds and 28 positions to the Department of Economic Development for administering the Governor's Office of Workforce Development program.	$0	($73,361,918)
Amount appropriated in this Act	$0	$0

26.11. Office of the State Inspector General

Purpose: The purpose of this appropriation is to foster and promote accountability and integrity in state government by investigating and preventing fraud, waste, and abuse.

Total Funds $652,762

State Funds $652,762

State General Funds $652,762

The above amounts include the following adjustments, additions, and deletions to the previous appropriations act (as amended):

	State Funds	Total Funds
Amount from previous Appropriations Act (HB 106) as amended	$565,991	$565,991
Provide funds for merit-based pay adjustments and employee recruitment and retention initiatives effective July 1, 2014.	$4,048	$4,048
Increase funds to reflect an adjustment in the employer share of the Employees' Retirement System.	$10,723	$10,723
Provide funds for one investigator position.	$72,000	$72,000
Amount appropriated in this Act	$652,762	$652,762

26.12. Student Achievement, Office of

Purpose: The purpose of this appropriation is to support educational accountability, evaluation, and reporting efforts, establishment of standards on state assessments, the preparation and release of the state's education report card and scoreboard, and education research to inform policy and budget efforts.

Total Funds $10,128,986

State Funds $10,128,986

State General Funds $10,128,986

The above amounts include the following adjustments, additions, and deletions to the previous appropriations act (as amended):

	State Funds	Total Funds
Amount from previous Appropriations Act (HB 106) as amended	$2,857,149	$2,857,149
Provide funds for merit-based pay adjustments and employee recruitment and retention initiatives effective	$17,375	$17,375

July 1, 2014.		
Increase funds to reflect an adjustment in the employer share of the Employees' Retirement System.	$77,290	$77,290
Increase funds to reflect an adjustment in the employer share of the Teachers' Retirement System from 12.28% to 13.15%.	$6,060	$6,060
Provide funds to create a Georgia Innovation Fund to award grants for the implementation and dissemination of innovative programs in public education.	$5,000,000	$5,000,000
Increase state funds for five positions and operating expenses for Georgia's Academic and Workforce Analysis and Research Data System (GA AWARDS).	$1,039,178	$1,039,178
Reflect an Executive Order to transfer funds for the Governor's Honors Program from the Department of Education ($961,934) and increase funds for additional program costs ($170,000).	$1,131,934	$1,131,934
Amount appropriated in this Act	$10,128,986	$10,128,986

Section 27: Human Services, Department of

Total Funds	**$1,622,668,991**
Federal Funds and Grants	**$1,020,598,039**
CCDF Mandatory and Matching Funds (CFDA 93.596)	$613,493
Child Care and Development Block Grant (CFDA 93.575)	$209,161
Community Service Block Grant (CFDA 93.569)	$18,302,803
Foster Care Title IV-E (CFDA 93.658)	$74,251,057
Low-Income Home Energy Assistance (CFDA 93.568)	$55,906,108
Medical Assistance Program (CFDA 93.778)	$61,484,542
Social Services Block Grant (CFDA 93.667)	$52,316,281
TANF Block Grant - Unobligated Balance	$9,551,600
Temporary Assistance for Needy Families Block Grant (CFDA 93.558)	$324,640,809
Federal Funds Not Specifically Identified	$423,322,185
Other Funds	**$73,588,811**
Agency Funds	$2,841,500
Other Funds - Not Specifically Identified	$70,282,025
Prior Year Funds - Other	$465,286
State Funds	**$523,873,307**
State General Funds	$517,681,501
Tobacco Settlement Funds	$6,191,806
Intra-State Government Transfers	**$4,608,834**
Other Intra-State Government Payments	$4,608,834

All Temporary Assistance for Needy Families benefit payments are calculated utilizing a factor of 66.0% of the standards of need; such payments shall be made from the date of certification and not from the date of application; and the following maximum benefits and maximum standards of need shall apply: For an assistance group of one, the standard of need is $235, and the maximum

monthly amount is $155.
For an assistance group of two, the standard of need is $356, and the maximum monthly amount is $235.
For an assistance group of three, the standard of need is $424, and the maximum monthly amount is $280.
For an assistance group of four, the standard of need is $500, and the maximum monthly amount is $330.
For an assistance group of five, the standard of need is $573, and the maximum monthly amount is $378.
For an assistance group of six, the standard of need is $621, and the maximum monthly amount is $410.
For an assistance group of seven, the standard of need is $672, and the maximum monthly amount is $444.
For an assistance group of eight, the standard of need is $713, and the maximum monthly amount is $470.
For an assistance group of nine, the standard of need is $751, and the maximum monthly amount is $496.
For an assistance group of ten, the standard of need is $804, and the maximum monthly amount is $530.
For an assistance group of eleven, the standard of need is $860, and the maximum monthly amount is $568.
Provided, the Department of Human Services is authorized to make supplemental payments on these maximum monthly amounts up to the amount that is equal to the minimum hourly wage for clients who are enrolled in subsidized work experience and subsidized employment.

27.1. Adoptions Services

Purpose: The purpose of this appropriation is to support and facilitate the safe permanent placement of children by prescreening families and providing support and financial services after adoption.

Total Funds	$89,470,664
Federal Funds and Grants	$55,349,593
Temporary Assistance for Needy Families Block Grant (CFDA 93.558)	$16,400,000
Federal Funds Not Specifically Identified	$38,949,593
Other Funds	$46,500
Other Funds - Not Specifically Identified	$46,500
State Funds	$34,074,571
State General Funds	$34,074,571

The above amounts include the following adjustments, additions, and deletions to the previous appropriations act (as amended):

	State Funds	Total Funds
Amount from previous Appropriations Act (HB 106) as amended	$34,230,598	$89,450,520
Provide funds for merit-based pay adjustments and employee recruitment and retention initiatives effective	$8,456	$8,456

July 1, 2014.		
Increase funds to reflect an adjustment in the employer share of the Employees' Retirement System.	$11,688	$11,688
Reduce funds to reflect an increase in the Federal Medical Assistance Percentage (FMAP) from 65.84% to 66.69%.	($176,171)	$0
Amount appropriated in this Act	$34,074,571	$89,470,664

27.2. After School Care

Purpose: The purpose of this appropriation is to expand the provision of after school care services and draw down TANF maintenance of effort funds.

Total Funds	$15,500,000
Federal Funds and Grants	$15,500,000
Temporary Assistance for Needy Families Block Grant (CFDA 93.558)	$15,500,000

27.3. Child Care Licensing

Purpose: The purpose of this appropriation is to protect the health and safety of children who receive full-time care outside of their homes by licensing, monitoring, and inspecting residential care providers.

Total Funds	$2,208,613
Federal Funds and Grants	$619,263
Foster Care Title IV-E (CFDA 93.658)	$619,263
State Funds	$1,589,350
State General Funds	$1,589,350

The above amounts include the following adjustments, additions, and deletions to the previous appropriations act (as amended):

	State Funds	Total Funds
Amount from previous Appropriations Act (HB 106) as amended	$1,542,554	$2,161,817
Provide funds for merit-based pay adjustments and employee recruitment and retention initiatives effective July 1, 2014.	$14,749	$14,749
Increase funds to reflect an adjustment in the employer share of the Employees' Retirement System.	$32,047	$32,047
Amount appropriated in this Act	$1,589,350	$2,208,613

27.4. Child Care Services

Purpose: The purpose of this appropriation is to permit low-income families to be self-reliant while protecting the safety and well-being of their children by ensuring access to child care.

Total Funds	$9,777,346
Federal Funds and Grants	$9,777,346
Federal Funds Not Specifically Identified	$9,777,346

27.5. Child Support Services

Purpose: The purpose of this appropriation is to encourage and enforce the parental responsibility of paying financial support.

Total Funds	$107,966,861
Federal Funds and Grants	$76,405,754
Social Services Block Grant (CFDA 93.667)	$120,000
Federal Funds Not Specifically Identified	$76,285,754
Other Funds	$2,841,500
Agency Funds	$2,841,500
State Funds	$28,323,847
State General Funds	$28,323,847
Intra-State Government Transfers	$395,760
Other Intra-State Government Payments	$395,760

The above amounts include the following adjustments, additions, and deletions to the previous appropriations act (as amended):

	State Funds	Total Funds
Amount from previous Appropriations Act (HB 106) as amended	$24,384,404	$97,557,142
Provide funds for merit-based pay adjustments and employee recruitment and retention initiatives effective July 1, 2014.	$148,914	$148,914
Increase funds to reflect an adjustment in the employer share of the Employees' Retirement System.	$457,362	$457,362
Increase funds to prevent the loss of 235 child support agents.	$3,333,167	$9,803,443
Amount appropriated in this Act	$28,323,847	$107,966,861

27.6. Child Welfare Services

Purpose: The purpose of this appropriation is to investigate allegations of child abuse, abandonment, and neglect, and to provide services to protect the child and strengthen the family.

Total Funds	$269,730,120
Federal Funds and Grants	$142,253,529
CCDF Mandatory and Matching Funds (CFDA 93.596)	$200,835
Foster Care Title IV-E (CFDA 93.658)	$28,250,142
Medical Assistance Program (CFDA 93.778)	$279,728
Social Services Block Grant (CFDA 93.667)	$2,384,795
Temporary Assistance for Needy Families Block Grant (CFDA 93.558)	$84,600,000
Federal Funds Not Specifically Identified	$26,538,029
Other Funds	$13,750,001
Other Funds - Not Specifically Identified	$13,750,001
State Funds	$113,614,101
State General Funds	$113,614,101
Intra-State Government Transfers	$112,489

Other Intra-State Government Payments $112,489

The above amounts include the following adjustments, additions, and deletions to the previous appropriations act (as amended):

	State Funds	Total Funds
Amount from previous Appropriations Act (HB 106) as amended	$93,972,766	$248,471,613
Provide funds for merit-based pay adjustments and employee recruitment and retention initiatives effective July 1, 2014.	$583,255	$583,255
Increase funds to reflect an adjustment in the employer share of the Employees' Retirement System.	$1,701,888	$1,701,888
Provide funds for 16 new positions in the Child Protective Services Intake Communication Center (CICC).	$911,872	$911,872
Provide funds for 175 additional child protective services workers.	$7,367,120	$8,984,292
Replace the loss of Medicaid earnings resulting from the transfer of foster care and adoption assistance members to managed care.	$8,777,200	$8,777,200
Provide funds to increase the annual foster care clothing allowance by $100. *(CC:Recognize in Out of Home Care program.)*	$0	$0
Provide additional funds for the Court Appointed Special Advocates (CASA) program to expand capacity.	$300,000	$300,000
Replace funds. *(CC:Yes)*	$0	$0
Replace funds. *(CC:No)*	$0	$0
Amount appropriated in this Act	$113,614,101	$269,730,120

27.7. Child Welfare Services - Special Project

Purpose: The purpose of this appropriation is to promote child abuse and neglect prevention programs and support child victims of abuse.

Total Funds $6,254,063

Federal Funds and Grants $5,072,117

Temporary Assistance for Needy Families Block Grant (CFDA 93.558) $3,072,670

Federal Funds Not Specifically Identified $1,999,447

State Funds $1,181,946

State General Funds $1,181,946

The above amounts include the following adjustments, additions, and deletions to the previous appropriations act (as amended):

	State Funds	Total Funds
Amount from previous Appropriations Act (HB 106) as amended	$0	$250,000
Provide funds for merit-based pay adjustments and employee recruitment and retention initiatives effective July 1, 2014.	$587	$587
Increase funds to reflect an adjustment in the employer share of the Employees' Retirement System.	$1,675	$1,675
Reflect a change in the program purpose statement. *(CC:Yes)*	$0	$0

Transfer funds for forensic interview training activities from the Office of the Child Advocate.	$0	$74,558
Transfer funds from the Governor's Office for Children and Families for the child advocacy centers.	$0	$1,175,000
Transfer $1,179,684 and six positions from the Governor's Office for Children and Families for child abuse and neglect prevention and home visiting activities. *(CC:Transfer $1,179,684 and six positions from the Governor's Office for Children and Families for child abuse and neglect prevention and home visiting activities.)*	$1,179,684	$4,752,243
Amount appropriated in this Act	$1,181,946	$6,254,063

27.8. Community Services

Purpose: The purpose of this appropriation is to provide services and activities through local agencies to assist low-income Georgians with employment, education, nutrition, and housing services.

Total Funds	$16,110,137
Federal Funds and Grants	$16,110,137
Community Service Block Grant (CFDA 93.569)	$16,110,137

27.9. Departmental Administration

Purpose: The purpose of this appropriation is to provide administration and support for the Divisions and Operating Office in meeting the needs of the people of Georgia.

Total Funds	$96,527,058
Federal Funds and Grants	$46,754,029
CCDF Mandatory and Matching Funds (CFDA 93.596)	$412,658
Child Care and Development Block Grant (CFDA 93.575)	$209,161
Community Service Block Grant (CFDA 93.569)	$102,444
Foster Care Title IV-E (CFDA 93.658)	$5,792,348
Low-Income Home Energy Assistance (CFDA 93.568)	$220,468
Medical Assistance Program (CFDA 93.778)	$4,772,224
Social Services Block Grant (CFDA 93.667)	$2,539,375
Temporary Assistance for Needy Families Block Grant (CFDA 93.558)	$11,195,249
Federal Funds Not Specifically Identified	$21,510,102
Other Funds	$11,187,482
Other Funds - Not Specifically Identified	$11,187,482
State Funds	$34,484,962
State General Funds	$34,484,962
Intra-State Government Transfers	$4,100,585
Other Intra-State Government Payments	$4,100,585

The above amounts include the following adjustments, additions, and deletions to the previous appropriations act (as amended):

	State Funds	Total Funds
Amount from previous Appropriations Act (HB 106) as amended	$31,679,621	$93,716,717
Provide funds for merit-based pay adjustments and employee recruitment and retention initiatives effective July 1, 2014.	$278,664	$278,664
Increase funds to reflect an adjustment in the employer share of the Employees' Retirement System.	$414,483	$414,483
Reflect an adjustment in TeamWorks billings.	$67,764	$67,764
Increase funds for telecommunications.	$2,000,000	$2,000,000
Transfer $44,430 and one position for child fatality review activities from the Office of the Child Advocate.	$44,430	$49,430
Amount appropriated in this Act	$34,484,962	$96,527,058

27.10. Elder Abuse Investigations and Prevention

Purpose: The purpose of this appropriation is to prevent disabled adults and elder persons from abuse, exploitation and neglect, and investigate situations where it might have occurred.

Total Funds	$19,073,179
Federal Funds and Grants	$3,573,433
Medical Assistance Program (CFDA 93.778)	$500,000
Social Services Block Grant (CFDA 93.667)	$2,279,539
Federal Funds Not Specifically Identified	$793,894
State Funds	$15,499,746
State General Funds	$15,499,746

The above amounts include the following adjustments, additions, and deletions to the previous appropriations act (as amended):

	State Funds	Total Funds
Amount from previous Appropriations Act (HB 106) as amended	$14,218,149	$17,791,582
Provide funds for merit-based pay adjustments and employee recruitment and retention initiatives effective July 1, 2014.	$101,285	$101,285
Increase funds to reflect an adjustment in the employer share of the Employees' Retirement System.	$260,179	$260,179
Provide funds for 11 additional adult protective services workers to manage an increasing number of cases.	$693,333	$693,333
Provide funds for temporary emergency respite placement of abused, neglected, or exploited at-risk adults.	$226,800	$226,800
Replace funds. *(CC:No)*	$0	$0
Amount appropriated in this Act	$15,499,746	$19,073,179

27.11. Elder Community Living Services

Purpose: The purpose of this appropriation is to provide Georgians who need nursing home level of care the option of remaining in their own communities.

Total Funds	$111,702,144
Federal Funds and Grants	$41,416,802

Medical Assistance Program (CFDA 93.778)	$13,765,259
Social Services Block Grant (CFDA 93.667)	$3,761,430
Federal Funds Not Specifically Identified	$23,890,113
State Funds	$70,285,342
State General Funds	$64,093,536
Tobacco Settlement Funds	$6,191,806

The above amounts include the following adjustments, additions, and deletions to the previous appropriations act (as amended):

	State Funds	Total Funds
Amount from previous Appropriations Act (HB 106) as amended	$71,477,874	$112,894,676
Provide funds for merit-based pay adjustments and employee recruitment and retention initiatives effective July 1, 2014.	$4,999	$4,999
Increase funds to reflect an adjustment in the employer share of the Employees' Retirement System.	$12,512	$12,512
Reduce funds to reflect an increase in the FMAP from 65.84% to 66.69%.	($1,210,043)	($1,210,043)
Utilize enhanced federal participation rate for 100 additional Community Care Services Program (CCSP) slots. *(CC:Yes)*	$0	$0
Utilize enhanced federal participation rate to increase Medicaid reimbursement rates for Alternative Living Services and Personal Support Services by 5% in both elderly waiver programs (CCSP and SOURCE). *(CC:Yes)*	$0	$0
Amount appropriated in this Act	$70,285,342	$111,702,144

27.12. Elder Support Services

Purpose: The purpose of this appropriation is to assist older Georgians, so that they may live in their homes and communities, by providing health, employment, nutrition, and other support and education services.

Total Funds	$10,231,775
Federal Funds and Grants	$6,616,268
Social Services Block Grant (CFDA 93.667)	$750,000
Federal Funds Not Specifically Identified	$5,866,268
State Funds	$3,615,507
State General Funds	$3,615,507

The above amounts include the following adjustments, additions, and deletions to the previous appropriations act (as amended):

	State Funds	Total Funds
Amount from previous Appropriations Act (HB 106) as amended	$2,854,249	$8,720,517
Provide funds for merit-based pay adjustments and employee recruitment and retention initiatives effective July 1, 2014.	$3,807	$3,807
Increase funds to reflect an adjustment in the employer share of the Employees' Retirement System.	$7,451	$7,451

Provide additional funds for Meals on Wheels and senior center nutrition programs.	$750,000	$1,500,000
Amount appropriated in this Act	$3,615,507	$10,231,775

27.13. Energy Assistance

Purpose: The purpose of this appropriation is to assist low-income households in meeting their immediate home energy needs.

Total Funds	$55,320,027
Federal Funds and Grants	$55,320,027
Low-Income Home Energy Assistance (CFDA 93.568)	$55,320,027

27.14. Family Violence Services

Purpose: The purpose of this appropriation is to provide safe shelter and related services for victims of family violence and their dependent children and to provide education about family violence to communities across the state.

Total Funds	$11,802,450
State Funds	$11,802,450
State General Funds	$11,802,450

27.15. Federal Eligibility Benefit Services

Purpose: The purpose of this appropriation is to verify eligibility and provide support services for Medicaid, Food Stamp, and Temporary Assistance for Needy Families (TANF).

Total Funds	$243,406,203
Federal Funds and Grants	$126,476,467
Foster Care Title IV-E (CFDA 93.658)	$2,882,030
Low-Income Home Energy Assistance (CFDA 93.568)	$365,613
Medical Assistance Program (CFDA 93.778)	$40,994,512
Temporary Assistance for Needy Families Block Grant (CFDA 93.558)	$19,628,860
Federal Funds Not Specifically Identified	$62,605,452
Other Funds	$10,221,755
Other Funds - Not Specifically Identified	$10,221,755
State Funds	$106,707,981
State General Funds	$106,707,981

The above amounts include the following adjustments, additions, and deletions to the previous appropriations act (as amended):

	State Funds	Total Funds
Amount from previous Appropriations Act (HB 106) as amended	$104,285,965	$240,821,687
Provide funds for merit-based pay adjustments and employee recruitment and retention initiatives effective July 1, 2014.	$640,844	$640,844
Increase funds to reflect an adjustment in the employer share of the Employees' Retirement System.	$1,602,497	$1,602,497

Reflect an adjustment in TeamWorks billings.	$16,175	$16,175
Provide funds for the development of a Revenue Maximization (RevMax) Medicaid Unit to enroll foster care members in managed care.	$162,500	$325,000
Utilize enhanced federal participation rate for Medicaid eligibility determination. *(CC:Yes)*	$0	$0
Amount appropriated in this Act	$106,707,981	$243,406,203

27.16. Federal Fund Transfers to Other Agencies

Purpose: The purpose of this appropriation is to reflect federal funds received by Department of Human Services to be transferred to other state agencies for eligible expenditures under federal law.

Total Funds	$66,796,742
Federal Funds and Grants	$66,796,742
Social Services Block Grant (CFDA 93.667)	$40,481,142
Temporary Assistance for Needy Families Block Grant (CFDA 93.558)	$26,315,600

The above amounts include the following adjustments, additions, and deletions to the previous appropriations act (as amended):

	State Funds	Total Funds
Amount from previous Appropriations Act (HB 106) as amended	$0	$61,768,742
Transfer funds from the Department of Human Services to the Department of Behavioral Health and Developmental Disabilities.	$0	$5,028,000
Amount appropriated in this Act	$0	$66,796,742

27.17. Out-of-Home Care

Purpose: The purpose of this appropriation is to provide safe and appropriate temporary homes for children removed from their families due to neglect, abuse, or abandonment.

Total Funds	$198,919,692
Federal Funds and Grants	$126,638,575
Foster Care Title IV-E (CFDA 93.658)	$36,707,274
Temporary Assistance for Needy Families Block Grant (CFDA 93.558)	$89,734,359
Federal Funds Not Specifically Identified	$196,942
State Funds	$72,281,117
State General Funds	$72,281,117

The above amounts include the following adjustments, additions, and deletions to the previous appropriations act (as amended):

	State Funds	Total Funds
Amount from previous Appropriations Act (HB 106) as amended	$72,347,849	$198,986,424
Reduce funds to reflect an increase in the FMAP from 65.84% to 66.69%.	($527,548)	($527,548)
Increase funds to increase the annual foster care clothing allowance by $100. *(CC:Increase funds to increase the*	$460,816	$460,816

annual foster care clothing allowance by $100 per child.)		
Amount appropriated in this Act	$72,281,117	$198,919,692

27.18. Refugee Assistance

Purpose: The purpose of this appropriation is to provide employment, health screening, medical, cash, and social services assistance to refugees.

Total Funds	$9,303,613
Federal Funds and Grants	$9,303,613
Federal Funds Not Specifically Identified	$9,303,613

27.19. Support for Needy Families - Basic Assistance

Purpose: The purpose of this appropriation is to provide cash assistance to needy families in compliance with Georgia's state plan for the federal Temporary Assistance for Needy Families program.

Total Funds	$49,482,361
Federal Funds and Grants	$49,382,361
TANF Block Grant - Unobligated Balance	$9,551,600
Temporary Assistance for Needy Families Block Grant (CFDA 93.558)	$39,830,761
State Funds	$100,000
State General Funds	$100,000

27.20. Support for Needy Families - Work Assistance

Purpose: The purpose of this appropriation is to assist needy Georgian families in achieving self-sufficiency by obtaining and keeping employment as well as complying with Georgia's state plan for the federal Temporary Assistance for Needy Families program.

Total Funds	$18,422,270
Federal Funds and Grants	$18,422,270
Temporary Assistance for Needy Families Block Grant (CFDA 93.558)	$18,363,310
Federal Funds Not Specifically Identified	$58,960

The following appropriations are for agencies attached for administrative purposes.

27.21. Council On Aging

Purpose: Assist older individuals, at-risk adults, persons with disabilities, their families and caregivers in achieving safe, healthy, independent and self-reliant lives.

Total Funds	$227,322
State Funds	$227,322
State General Funds	$227,322

The above amounts include the following adjustments, additions, and deletions to the previous appropriations act (as amended):

	State Funds	Total Funds
Amount from previous Appropriations Act (HB 106) as amended	$211,226	$211,226
Provide funds for merit-based pay adjustments and employee recruitment and retention initiatives effective July 1, 2014.	$2,310	$2,310
Increase funds to reflect an adjustment in the employer share of the Employees' Retirement System.	$3,786	$3,786
Increase funds for operations.	$10,000	$10,000
Amount appropriated in this Act	$227,322	$227,322

27.22. Family Connection

Purpose: Provide a statewide network of county collaboratives that work to improve conditions for children and families.

Total Funds	$9,677,967
Federal Funds and Grants	$1,172,819
Medical Assistance Program (CFDA 93.778)	$1,172,819
State Funds	$8,505,148
State General Funds	$8,505,148

27.23. Georgia Vocational Rehabilitation Agency: Business Enterprise Program

Purpose: The purpose of this appropriation is to assist people who are blind in becoming successful contributors to the state's economy.

Total Funds	$3,064,176
Federal Funds and Grants	$2,786,962
Community Service Block Grant (CFDA 93.569)	$2,090,222
Federal Funds Not Specifically Identified	$696,740
State Funds	$277,214
State General Funds	$277,214

The above amounts include the following adjustments, additions, and deletions to the previous appropriations act (as amended):

	State Funds	Total Funds
Amount from previous Appropriations Act (HB 106) as amended	$270,955	$3,057,917
Provide funds for merit-based pay adjustments and employee recruitment and retention initiatives effective July 1, 2014.	$1,686	$1,686
Increase funds to reflect an adjustment in the employer share of the Employees' Retirement System.	$4,573	$4,573
Amount appropriated in this Act	$277,214	$3,064,176

27.24. Georgia Vocational Rehabilitation Agency: Departmental Administration

Purpose: The purpose of this appropriation is to help people with disabilities to become fully productive members of society by achieving independence and meaningful employment.

Total Funds	$7,580,431
Federal Funds and Grants	$6,153,689
Federal Funds Not Specifically Identified	$6,153,689
State Funds	$1,426,742
State General Funds	$1,426,742

The above amounts include the following adjustments, additions, and deletions to the previous appropriations act (as amended):

	State Funds	Total Funds
Amount from previous Appropriations Act (HB 106) as amended	$1,316,074	$7,469,763
Provide funds for merit-based pay adjustments and employee recruitment and retention initiatives effective July 1, 2014.	$28,596	$28,596
Increase funds to reflect an adjustment in the employer share of the Employees' Retirement System.	$82,072	$82,072
By July 1, 2014, the Department shall provide a report to the Georgia General Assembly with an actionable plan to create a third party cooperative arrangement with the Department of Behavioral Health and Developmental Disabilities in order to draw down additional federal funds. *(CC:Yes; By January 1, 2015, the Department shall provide a report to the Georgia General Assembly with an actionable plan to create third party cooperative arrangements with the Department of Behavioral Health and Developmental Disabilities, the University System of Georgia, the Technical College System of Georgia and the Georgia Student Finance Commission to maximize financial assistance for vocational rehabilitation clients.)*	$0	$0
Amount appropriated in this Act	$1,426,742	$7,580,431

27.25. Georgia Vocational Rehabilitation Agency: Disability Adjudication Services

Purpose: The purpose of this appropriation is to efficiently process applications for federal disability programs so that eligible Georgia citizens can obtain support.

Total Funds	$70,333,617
Federal Funds and Grants	$70,333,617
Federal Funds Not Specifically Identified	$70,333,617

The above amounts include the following adjustments, additions, and deletions to the previous appropriations act (as amended):

	State Funds	Total Funds
Amount from previous Appropriations Act (HB 106) as amended	$0	$70,333,617
Reflect a change in the program name. *(CC:Yes)*	$0	$0
Reflect a change in the program purpose statement.	$0	$0

(CC:Yes)		
Amount appropriated in this Act	$0	$70,333,617

27.26. Georgia Vocational Rehabilitation Agency: Georgia Industries for the Blind

Purpose: The purpose of this appropriation is to employ people who are blind in manufacturing and packaging facilities in Bainbridge and Griffin.

Total Funds	$10,042,616
Other Funds	$10,042,616
Other Funds - Not Specifically Identified	$9,577,330
Prior Year Funds - Other	$465,286

27.27. Georgia Vocational Rehabilitation Agency: Roosevelt Warm Springs Medical Hospitals

Purpose: The purpose of this appropriation is to provide rehabilitative and medical care for individuals to return to the most independent lifestyle possible.

Total Funds	$20,588,965
Other Funds	$18,519,922
Other Funds - Not Specifically Identified	$18,519,922
State Funds	$2,069,043
State General Funds	$2,069,043

The above amounts include the following adjustments, additions, and deletions to the previous appropriations act (as amended):

	State Funds	Total Funds
Amount from previous Appropriations Act (HB 106) as amended	$5,108,931	$39,491,652
Reflect a change in the program name. *(CC:Yes)*	$0	$0
Reflect a change in the program purpose statement. *(CC:Yes)*	$0	$0
Transfer funds to the Vocational Rehabilitation Program to align vocational rehabilitation services.	($3,508,931)	($19,371,730)
Increase funds based on projected expenditures.	$469,043	$469,043
Amount appropriated in this Act	$2,069,043	$20,588,965

27.28. Georgia Vocational Rehabilitation Agency: Vocational Rehabilitation Program

Purpose: The purpose of this appropriation is to assist people with disabilities so that they may go to work.

Total Funds	$93,148,579
Federal Funds and Grants	$68,362,626
Federal Funds Not Specifically Identified	$68,362,626
Other Funds	$6,979,035
Other Funds - Not Specifically Identified	$6,979,035
State Funds	$17,806,918

State General Funds $17,806,918

The above amounts include the following adjustments, additions, and deletions to the previous appropriations act (as amended):

	State Funds	Total Funds
Amount from previous Appropriations Act (HB 106) as amended	$13,465,977	$69,180,286
Provide funds for merit-based pay adjustments and employee recruitment and retention initiatives effective July 1, 2014.	$220,312	$220,312
Increase funds to reflect an adjustment in the employer share of the Employees' Retirement System.	$552,379	$552,379
Reflect an adjustment in TeamWorks billings.	$10,449	$10,449
Transfer funds from the Roosevelt Warm Springs Medical Hospitals program to align vocational rehabilitation services.	$3,508,931	$19,371,730
Increase funds for the Georgia Radio Reading Service.	$18,870	$88,588
Recognize and execute a Memorandum of Understanding agreement with the Department of Behavioral Health and Developmental Disabilities ($2,000,000) and receive additional federal funding for Vocational Rehabilitation services. *(CC:Yes; Recognize and execute a Memorandum of Understanding agreement with the Department of Behavioral Health and Developmental Disabilities ($1,000,000) and receive additional federal funding for Vocational Rehabilitation services.)*	$0	$3,694,835
Increase funds for Friends of Disabled Adults and Children (FODAC) for equipment for disabled individuals.	$30,000	$30,000
Amount appropriated in this Act	$17,806,918	$93,148,579

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Total Funds	**$22,063,390**
Federal Funds and Grants	**$2,126,966**
Federal Funds Not Specifically Identified	$2,126,966
Other Funds	**$97,232**
Agency Funds	$81,806
Other Funds - Not Specifically Identified	$15,426
State Funds	**$19,839,192**
State General Funds	$19,839,192

28.1. Departmental Administration

Purpose: The purpose of this appropriation is to be responsible for protecting the rights of Georgia citizens in insurance and industrial loan transactions and maintain a fire-safe environment.

Total Funds $1,812,192

State Funds $1,812,192

State General Funds $1,812,192

The above amounts include the following adjustments, additions, and deletions to the previous appropriations act (as amended):

	State Funds	Total Funds
Amount from previous Appropriations Act (HB 106) as amended	$1,746,908	$1,746,908
Provide funds for merit-based pay adjustments and employee recruitment and retention initiatives effective July 1, 2014.	$12,554	$12,554
Increase funds to reflect an adjustment in the employer share of the Employees' Retirement System.	$32,624	$32,624
Reflect an adjustment in TeamWorks billings.	$20,106	$20,106
Amount appropriated in this Act	$1,812,192	$1,812,192

28.2. Enforcement

Purpose: The purpose of this appropriation is to provide legal advice and to initiate legal proceedings with regard to enforcement of specific provisions of state law relating to insurance, industrial loan, fire safety, and fraud.

Total Funds $774,303
State Funds $774,303
State General Funds $774,303

The above amounts include the following adjustments, additions, and deletions to the previous appropriations act (as amended):

	State Funds	Total Funds
Amount from previous Appropriations Act (HB 106) as amended	$756,822	$756,822
Provide funds for merit-based pay adjustments and employee recruitment and retention initiatives effective July 1, 2014.	$5,284	$5,284
Increase funds to reflect an adjustment in the employer share of the Employees' Retirement System.	$12,197	$12,197
Amount appropriated in this Act	$774,303	$774,303

28.3. Fire Safety

Purpose: The purpose of this appropriation is to promote fire safety awareness through education and training, and to protect the public from fire and limit the loss of life and property by setting the minimum fire safety standards in the state, enforcing and regulating fire safety rules for public buildings and manufactured housing, and regulating the storage, transportation, and handling of hazardous materials.

Total Funds $8,310,119
Federal Funds and Grants $1,123,107
Federal Funds Not Specifically Identified $1,123,107
Other Funds $97,232
Agency Funds $81,806
Other Funds - Not Specifically Identified $15,426
State Funds $7,089,780

State General Funds $7,089,780

The above amounts include the following adjustments, additions, and deletions to the previous appropriations act (as amended):

	State Funds	Total Funds
Amount from previous Appropriations Act (HB 106) as amended	$6,906,358	$8,126,697
Provide funds for merit-based pay adjustments and employee recruitment and retention initiatives effective July 1, 2014.	$48,167	$48,167
Increase funds to reflect an adjustment in the employer share of the Employees' Retirement System.	$135,255	$135,255
Amount appropriated in this Act	$7,089,780	$8,310,119

28.4. Industrial Loan

Purpose: The purpose of this appropriation is to protect consumers by licensing, regulating, and examining finance companies that provide consumer loans of $3,000 or less.

Total Funds $670,948
State Funds $670,948
State General Funds $670,948

The above amounts include the following adjustments, additions, and deletions to the previous appropriations act (as amended):

	State Funds	Total Funds
Amount from previous Appropriations Act (HB 106) as amended	$656,703	$656,703
Provide funds for merit-based pay adjustments and employee recruitment and retention initiatives effective July 1, 2014.	$4,457	$4,457
Increase funds to reflect an adjustment in the employer share of the Employees' Retirement System.	$9,788	$9,788
Amount appropriated in this Act	$670,948	$670,948

28.5. Insurance Regulation

Purpose: The purpose of this appropriation is to ensure that licensed insurance entities maintain solvency and conform to state law by conducting financial and market examinations, investigating policyholder complaints, monitoring for compliance with state laws and regulations, reviewing and approving premium rates, and disseminating information to the public and the insurance industry about the state's insurance laws and regulations.

Total Funds $6,281,463
Federal Funds and Grants $1,003,859
Federal Funds Not Specifically Identified $1,003,859
State Funds $5,277,604
State General Funds $5,277,604

The above amounts include the following adjustments, additions, and deletions to the previous appropriations act (as amended):

	State Funds	Total Funds
Amount from previous Appropriations Act (HB 106) as amended	$5,144,676	$6,148,535
Provide funds for merit-based pay adjustments and employee recruitment and retention initiatives effective July 1, 2014.	$35,217	$35,217
Increase funds to reflect an adjustment in the employer share of the Employees' Retirement System.	$97,711	$97,711
Amount appropriated in this Act	$5,277,604	$6,281,463

28.6. Special Fraud

Purpose: The purpose of this appropriation is to identify and take appropriate action to deter insurance fraud.

Total Funds	$4,214,365
State Funds	$4,214,365
State General Funds	$4,214,365

The above amounts include the following adjustments, additions, and deletions to the previous appropriations act (as amended):

	State Funds	Total Funds
Amount from previous Appropriations Act (HB 106) as amended	$4,114,094	$4,114,094
Provide funds for merit-based pay adjustments and employee recruitment and retention initiatives effective July 1, 2014.	$30,416	$30,416
Increase funds to reflect an adjustment in the employer share of the Employees' Retirement System.	$69,855	$69,855
Amount appropriated in this Act	$4,214,365	$4,214,365

Section 29: Investigation, Georgia Bureau of

Total Funds	**$153,615,262**
Federal Funds and Grants	**$30,583,872**
Temporary Assistance for Needy Families Block Grant (CFDA 93.558)	$991,680
Federal Funds Not Specifically Identified	$29,592,192
Other Funds	**$23,088,236**
Other Funds - Not Specifically Identified	$23,088,236
State Funds	**$99,943,154**
State General Funds	$99,943,154

29.1. Bureau Administration

Purpose: The purpose of this appropriation is to provide the highest quality investigative, scientific, information services, and resources for the purpose of maintaining law and order and protecting life and property.

Total Funds	$7,696,537
Federal Funds and Grants	$12,600
Federal Funds Not Specifically Identified	$12,600

State Funds	$7,683,937
State General Funds	$7,683,937

The above amounts include the following adjustments, additions, and deletions to the previous appropriations act (as amended):

	State Funds	Total Funds
Amount from previous Appropriations Act (HB 106) as amended	$7,554,792	$7,567,392
Provide funds for merit-based pay adjustments and employee recruitment and retention initiatives effective July 1, 2014.	$30,604	$30,604
Increase funds to reflect an adjustment in the employer share of the Employees' Retirement System.	$73,158	$73,158
Reflect an adjustment in TeamWorks billings.	$25,383	$25,383
Amount appropriated in this Act	$7,683,937	$7,696,537

29.2. Criminal Justice Information Services

Purpose: The purpose of this appropriation is to provide the State of Georgia with essential information and identification services through the operation of the Automated Fingerprint Identification System, Criminal History System, Criminal Justice Information Services network, Protective Order Registry, Sexual Violent Offender Registry, and the Uniform Crime Reporting Program.

Total Funds	$10,653,762
Federal Funds and Grants	$123,685
Federal Funds Not Specifically Identified	$123,685
Other Funds	$6,308,894
Other Funds - Not Specifically Identified	$6,308,894
State Funds	$4,221,183
State General Funds	$4,221,183

The above amounts include the following adjustments, additions, and deletions to the previous appropriations act (as amended):

	State Funds	Total Funds
Amount from previous Appropriations Act (HB 106) as amended	$3,927,593	$10,360,172
Provide funds for merit-based pay adjustments and employee recruitment and retention initiatives effective July 1, 2014.	$24,223	$24,223
Increase funds to reflect an adjustment in the employer share of the Employees' Retirement System.	$119,367	$119,367
Increase funds for a Metal Theft Database contract per HB 872 (2012 Session).	$150,000	$150,000
Amount appropriated in this Act	$4,221,183	$10,653,762

29.3. Forensic Scientific Services

Purpose: The purpose of this appropriation is to provide forensic analysis and testimony in the areas of chemistry (drug identification), firearms, digital imaging, forensic biology (serology/DNA), latent prints, pathology, questioned documents, photography, toxicology, implied consent, and trace evidence in

support of the criminal justice system; to provide medical examiner (autopsy) services; and to analyze and enter samples into national databases such as AFIS, CODIS, and NIBIN.

Total Funds	$31,983,863
Federal Funds and Grants	$66,131
Federal Funds Not Specifically Identified	$66,131
Other Funds	$157,865
Other Funds - Not Specifically Identified	$157,865
State Funds	$31,759,867
State General Funds	$31,759,867

The above amounts include the following adjustments, additions, and deletions to the previous appropriations act (as amended):

	State Funds	Total Funds
Amount from previous Appropriations Act (HB 106) as amended	$28,959,586	$29,183,582
Provide funds for merit-based pay adjustments and employee recruitment and retention initiatives effective July 1, 2014.	$180,998	$180,998
Increase funds to reflect an adjustment in the employer share of the Employees' Retirement System.	$431,563	$431,563
Increase funds for one medical examiner and one death investigator.	$263,641	$263,641
Increase funds to provide for the third installment of the law enforcement career ladder in the Forensic Scientific Services program.	$1,924,079	$1,924,079
Amount appropriated in this Act	$31,759,867	$31,983,863

29.4. Regional Investigative Services

Purpose: The purpose of this appropriation is to identify, collect, preserve, and process evidence located during crime scene investigations, and to assist in the investigation, identification, arrest and prosecution of individuals. The purpose of this appropriation is also to coordinate and operate the following specialized units: bingo unit, anti-terrorist team, forensic art, bomb disposal unit, high technology investigations unit, communications center, regional drug enforcement, and polygraph examinations.

Total Funds	$34,884,760
Federal Funds and Grants	$1,157,065
Federal Funds Not Specifically Identified	$1,157,065
Other Funds	$71,199
Other Funds - Not Specifically Identified	$71,199
State Funds	$33,656,496
State General Funds	$33,656,496

The above amounts include the following adjustments, additions, and deletions to the previous appropriations act (as amended):

	State Funds	Total Funds
Amount from previous Appropriations Act (HB 106) as amended	$31,048,935	$32,277,199

Provide funds for merit-based pay adjustments and employee recruitment and retention initiatives effective July 1, 2014.	$206,556	$206,556
Increase funds to reflect an adjustment in the employer share of the Employees' Retirement System.	$567,543	$567,543
Increase funds to provide for the third installment of the law enforcement career ladder in the Regional Investigative Services program.	$1,833,462	$1,833,462
Amount appropriated in this Act	$33,656,496	$34,884,760

The following appropriations are for agencies attached for administrative purposes.

29.5. Criminal Justice Coordinating Council

Purpose: The purpose of this appropriation is to improve and coordinate criminal justice efforts throughout Georgia, help create safe and secure communities, and award grants.

Total Funds	$68,396,340
Federal Funds and Grants	$29,224,391
Temporary Assistance for Needy Families Block Grant (CFDA 93.558)	$991,680
Federal Funds Not Specifically Identified	$28,232,711
Other Funds	$16,550,278
Other Funds - Not Specifically Identified	$16,550,278
State Funds	$22,621,671
State General Funds	$22,621,671

The above amounts include the following adjustments, additions, and deletions to the previous appropriations act (as amended):

	State Funds	Total Funds
Amount from previous Appropriations Act (HB 106) as amended	$17,135,387	$59,300,287
Provide funds for merit-based pay adjustments and employee recruitment and retention initiatives effective July 1, 2014.	$5,022	$5,022
Increase funds to reflect an adjustment in the employer share of the Employees' Retirement System.	$13,835	$13,835
Transfer federal funds for Guardian ad Litem training from the Office of the Child Advocate.	$0	$5,000
Transfer funds and one position for commercial sexual exploitation prevention activities from the Governor's Office of Children and Families.	$0	$991,680
Reinvest funds as a result of savings from Juvenile Justice Reform for the expansion of the nine newly established family dependent drug courts implemented through the Accountability Courts Granting Committee.	$384,502	$384,502
Reinvest funds as a result of savings from Criminal Justice Reform to expand existing adult felony drug and mental health accountability courts implemented by the Accountability Courts Granting Committee.	$3,372,186	$3,372,186

Reinvest funds as a result of savings from Juvenile Justice Reform for the expansion of community based Juvenile Incentive Funding Grant program to provide fiscal incentives to communities to create and utilize community based options for juvenile offenders implemented in the Juvenile Justice Incentive Grant Program Funding Committee.	$1,250,000	$1,250,000
Transfer funds and four positions for juvenile justice/court system improvement and juvenile justice system compliance and research activities from the Governor's Office for Children and Families.	$260,545	$2,646,337
Transfer funds and five positions for family violence activities from the Governor's Office for Children and Families.	$279,000	$506,297
Reduce funds for an Accountability Courts consultant.	($78,806)	($78,806)
Amount appropriated in this Act	$22,621,671	$68,396,340

Section 30: Juvenile Justice, Department of

Total Funds	**$313,615,319**
Federal Funds and Grants	**$6,264,665**
Foster Care Title IV-E (CFDA 93.658)	$1,531,226
Federal Funds Not Specifically Identified	$4,733,439
Other Funds	**$432,243**
Other Funds - Not Specifically Identified	$432,243
State Funds	**$306,918,411**
State General Funds	$306,918,411

30.1. Community Services

Purpose: The purpose of this appropriation is to protect the public, hold youth accountable for their actions, assist youth in becoming law-abiding citizens and transition youth from secure detention, and provide the following alternative detention options: non-secure detention shelters, housebound detention, emergency shelters, a short-term stay in a residential placement, tracking services, wraparound services, electronic monitoring, or detention in an alternative program. Additionally, Community Supervision supervises youth directly in the community according to their risk and need levels, provides transitional and treatment services to those youth either directly or by brokering or making appropriate referrals for services, and provides agency-wide services, including intake, court services, and case management.

Total Funds	$85,403,517
Federal Funds and Grants	$1,373,480
Foster Care Title IV-E (CFDA 93.658)	$1,373,480
Other Funds	$351,158
Other Funds - Not Specifically Identified	$351,158
State Funds	$83,678,879

State General Funds $83,678,879

The above amounts include the following adjustments, additions, and deletions to the previous appropriations act (as amended):

	State Funds	Total Funds
Amount from previous Appropriations Act (HB 106) as amended	$82,216,387	$83,941,025
Provide funds for merit-based pay adjustments and employee recruitment and retention initiatives effective July 1, 2014.	$368,744	$368,744
Increase funds to reflect an adjustment in the employer share of the Employees' Retirement System.	$947,734	$947,734
Reflect an adjustment in TeamWorks billings.	$9,104	$9,104
Replace funds. *(CC:Yes)*	$0	$0
Transfer funds to the Department of Community Health for foster care and adoption assistance members who will be served through a care management organization.	($520,000)	($520,000)
Provide funds for the expansion of community based juvenile incentive funding to dependent and small independent court communities to create and utilize evidence based programs for juvenile offenders in consultation with the Juvenile Justice Incentive Grant Program Funding Committee.	$1,600,000	$1,600,000
Annualize funds to reflect a 3% rate adjustment among all Out-of-Home Care providers.	$544,200	$544,200
Reduce funds to meet projected expenditures.	($1,487,290)	($1,487,290)
Amount appropriated in this Act	$83,678,879	$85,403,517

30.2. Departmental Administration

Purpose: The purpose of this appropriation is to protect and serve the citizens of Georgia by holding youthful offenders accountable for their actions through the delivery of effective services in appropriate settings.

Total Funds $23,759,981
Federal Funds and Grants $507,921
Foster Care Title IV-E (CFDA 93.658) $157,746
Federal Funds Not Specifically Identified $350,175
Other Funds $15,299
Other Funds - Not Specifically Identified $15,299
State Funds $23,236,761
State General Funds $23,236,761

The above amounts include the following adjustments, additions, and deletions to the previous appropriations act (as amended):

	State Funds	Total Funds
Amount from previous Appropriations Act (HB 106) as amended	$27,150,997	$27,674,217
Provide funds for merit-based pay adjustments and employee recruitment and retention initiatives effective July 1, 2014.	$111,878	$111,878
Increase funds to reflect an adjustment in the employer share of the Employees' Retirement System.	$236,934	$236,934

Reflect an adjustment in TeamWorks billings.	$2,926	$2,926
Replace funds. *(CC:Yes)*	$0	$0
Transfer funds for Regional Youth Detention Center (RYDC) program staff to the Secure Detention (RYDCs) program to align budget with expenditures.	($1,719,838)	($1,719,838)
Transfer funds for Youth Development Campus (YDC) program staff to the Secure Commitment (YDCs) program to align budget with expenditures.	($2,546,136)	($2,546,136)
Amount appropriated in this Act	$23,236,761	$23,759,981

30.3. Secure Commitment (YDCs)

Purpose: The purpose of this appropriation is to protect the public and hold youth accountable for their actions, and provide secure care and supervision of youth including academic, recreational, vocational, medical, mental health, counseling, and religious services for those youth committed to the Department's custody, or convicted of an offense under Senate Bill 440.

Total Funds	$93,489,294
Federal Funds and Grants	$2,667,967
Federal Funds Not Specifically Identified	$2,667,967
Other Funds	$23,589
Other Funds - Not Specifically Identified	$23,589
State Funds	$90,797,738
State General Funds	$90,797,738

The above amounts include the following adjustments, additions, and deletions to the previous appropriations act (as amended):

	State Funds	Total Funds
Amount from previous Appropriations Act (HB 106) as amended	$83,897,460	$86,589,016
Provide funds for merit-based pay adjustments and employee recruitment and retention initiatives effective July 1, 2014.	$461,350	$461,350
Increase funds to reflect an adjustment in the employer share of the Employees' Retirement System.	$1,184,668	$1,184,668
Reflect an adjustment in TeamWorks billings.	$9,104	$9,104
Reflect a change in the program purpose statement. *(CC:Yes)*	$0	$0
Replace funds. *(CC:Yes)*	$0	$0
Increase funds for operating expenses and 77 positions for the Bill Ireland Youth Development Campus opening January 1, 2015.	$1,996,474	$1,996,474
Transfer funds for Youth Development Campus (YDC) program staff from the Departmental Administration program to align budget with expenditures.	$2,546,136	$2,546,136
Increase funds for a Juvenile Correctional Officer (JCO) market salary adjustment to establish a new base salary of $27,472 for a JCO 2.	$702,546	$702,546
Amount appropriated in this Act	$90,797,738	$93,489,294

30.4. Secure Detention (RYDCs)

Purpose: The purpose of this appropriation is to protect the public and hold youth accountable for their actions and, provide temporary, secure care, and supervision of youth who are charged with crimes or who have been found guilty of crimes and are awaiting disposition of their cases by juvenile courts or awaiting placement in one of the Department's treatment programs or facilities, or sentenced to the Short Term Program.

Total Funds	$110,962,527
Federal Funds and Grants	$1,715,297
Federal Funds Not Specifically Identified	$1,715,297
Other Funds	$42,197
Other Funds - Not Specifically Identified	$42,197
State Funds	$109,205,033
State General Funds	$109,205,033

The above amounts include the following adjustments, additions, and deletions to the previous appropriations act (as amended):

	State Funds	Total Funds
Amount from previous Appropriations Act (HB 106) as amended	$107,983,796	$109,995,401
Provide funds for merit-based pay adjustments and employee recruitment and retention initiatives effective July 1, 2014.	$609,483	$609,483
Increase funds to reflect an adjustment in the employer share of the Employees' Retirement System.	$1,579,556	$1,579,556
Reflect an adjustment in TeamWorks billings.	$11,380	$11,380
Reflect a change in the program purpose statement. *(CC:Yes)*	$0	$0
Replace funds. *(CC:Yes)*	$0	$0
Increase funds for operating expenses and 29 positions for a 20-bed expansion at the Clayton (Martha Glaze) RYDC.	$1,669,162	$1,669,162
Increase funds for operating expenses for the Rockdale RYDC.	$2,458,257	$2,458,257
Reduce funds for contractual services for the Paulding RYDC.	($6,256,353)	($6,429,503)
Reduce funds for operating expenses and 81 positions for the Gwinnett RYDC closing June 30, 2014.	($3,551,721)	($3,632,682)
Increase funds for a Juvenile Correctional Officer (JCO) market salary adjustment to establish a new base salary of $27,472 for a JCO 2.	$1,055,138	$1,055,138
Increase funds to fully staff the remaining Metro Atlanta RYDCs (Clayton, DeKalb, Marietta, Metro, and Rockdale).	$1,926,497	$1,926,497
Transfer funds for Regional Youth Detention Center (RYDC) program staff from the Departmental Administration program to align budget with expenditures.	$1,719,838	$1,719,838
Amount appropriated in this Act	$109,205,033	$110,962,527

Section 31: Labor, Department of

Total Funds	**$136,826,607**
Federal Funds and Grants	**$122,923,864**
Federal Funds Not Specifically Identified	$122,923,864
Other Funds	**$1,069,666**
Other Funds - Not Specifically Identified	$1,069,666
State Funds	**$12,692,804**
State General Funds	$12,692,804
Intra-State Government Transfers	**$140,273**
Other Intra-State Government Payments	$140,273

31.1. Department of Labor Administration

Purpose: The purpose of this appropriation is to work with public and private partners in building a world-class workforce system that contributes to Georgia's economic prosperity.

Total Funds	$33,053,000
Federal Funds and Grants	$31,312,292
Federal Funds Not Specifically Identified	$31,312,292
State Funds	$1,600,435
State General Funds	$1,600,435
Intra-State Government Transfers	$140,273
Other Intra-State Government Payments	$140,273

The above amounts include the following adjustments, additions, and deletions to the previous appropriations act (as amended):

	State Funds	Total Funds
Amount from previous Appropriations Act (HB 106) as amended	$1,586,498	$33,039,063
Provide funds for merit-based pay adjustments and employee recruitment and retention initiatives effective July 1, 2014.	$7,018	$7,018
Increase funds to reflect an adjustment in the employer share of the Employees' Retirement System.	$6,919	$6,919
Amount appropriated in this Act	$1,600,435	$33,053,000

31.2. Labor Market Information

Purpose: The purpose of this appropriation is to collect, analyze, and publish a wide array of information about the state's labor market.

Total Funds	$2,249,873
Federal Funds and Grants	$2,249,873
Federal Funds Not Specifically Identified	$2,249,873

31.3. Unemployment Insurance

Purpose: The purpose of this appropriation is to enhance Georgia's economic strength by collecting unemployment insurance taxes from Georgia's

employers and distributing unemployment benefits to eligible claimants.

Total Funds	$38,964,186
Federal Funds and Grants	$34,599,186
Federal Funds Not Specifically Identified	$34,599,186
State Funds	$4,365,000
State General Funds	$4,365,000

The above amounts include the following adjustments, additions, and deletions to the previous appropriations act (as amended):

	State Funds	Total Funds
Amount from previous Appropriations Act (HB 106) as amended	$5,789,691	$40,388,877
Utilize state funds of $5,789,691 for the Unemployment Trust Fund loan interest payment due September 30, 2014. *(CC:Utilize existing funds to pay the Unemployment Trust Fund loan interest payment due on September 30, 2014 and reflect lower payment due to early loan payback.)*	($1,424,691)	($1,424,691)
Amount appropriated in this Act	$4,365,000	$38,964,186

31.4. Workforce Solutions

Purpose: The purpose of this appropriation is to assist employers and job seekers with job matching services and to promote economic growth and development.

Total Funds	$62,559,548
Federal Funds and Grants	$54,762,513
Federal Funds Not Specifically Identified	$54,762,513
Other Funds	$1,069,666
Other Funds - Not Specifically Identified	$1,069,666
State Funds	$6,727,369
State General Funds	$6,727,369

The above amounts include the following adjustments, additions, and deletions to the previous appropriations act (as amended):

	State Funds	Total Funds
Amount from previous Appropriations Act (HB 106) as amended	$6,663,235	$62,495,414
Provide funds for merit-based pay adjustments and employee recruitment and retention initiatives effective July 1, 2014.	$15,258	$15,258
Increase funds to reflect an adjustment in the employer share of the Employees' Retirement System.	$48,876	$48,876
Amount appropriated in this Act	$6,727,369	$62,559,548

Section 32: Law, Department of

Total Funds	**$61,429,477**
Federal Funds and Grants	**$3,597,990**

Federal Funds Not Specifically Identified	$3,597,990
Other Funds	**$36,589,125**
Other Funds - Not Specifically Identified	$36,589,125
State Funds	**$21,242,362**
State General Funds	$21,242,362

32.1. Department of Law

Purpose: The purpose of this appropriation is to serve as the attorney and legal advisor for all state agencies, departments, authorities, and the Governor; to provide binding opinions on legal questions concerning the State of Georgia and its agencies; and to prepare all contracts and agreements regarding any matter in which the State of Georgia is involved.

Total Funds	$56,545,540
Other Funds	$36,587,014
Other Funds - Not Specifically Identified	$36,587,014
State Funds	$19,958,526
State General Funds	$19,958,526

The above amounts include the following adjustments, additions, and deletions to the previous appropriations act (as amended):

	State Funds	Total Funds
Amount from previous Appropriations Act (HB 106) as amended	$18,079,990	$54,667,004
Provide funds for merit-based pay adjustments and employee recruitment and retention initiatives effective July 1, 2014.	$181,090	$181,090
Increase funds to reflect an adjustment in the employer share of the Employees' Retirement System.	$436,735	$436,735
Reflect an adjustment in TeamWorks billings.	$1,397	$1,397
Increase funds for retention of attorney positions to mitigate future Special Assistant Attorney General expenses.	$1,259,314	$1,259,314
Retain two time-limited attorney positions (HB 742, 2012 Session) to address professional licensing investigations. *(CC:Yes)*	$0	$0
Amount appropriated in this Act	$19,958,526	$56,545,540

32.2. Medicaid Fraud Control Unit

Purpose: The purpose of this appropriation is to serve as the center for the identification, arrest, and prosecution of providers of health services and patients who defraud the Medicaid Program.

Total Funds	$4,883,937
Federal Funds and Grants	$3,597,990
Federal Funds Not Specifically Identified	$3,597,990
Other Funds	$2,111
Other Funds - Not Specifically Identified	$2,111
State Funds	$1,283,836

State General Funds $1,283,836

The above amounts include the following adjustments, additions, and deletions to the previous appropriations act (as amended):

	State Funds	Total Funds
Amount from previous Appropriations Act (HB 106) as amended	$1,147,261	$4,747,362
Provide funds for merit-based pay adjustments and employee recruitment and retention initiatives effective July 1, 2014.	$6,846	$6,846
Increase funds to reflect an adjustment in the employer share of the Employees' Retirement System.	$17,015	$17,015
Increase funds for five positions to maximize civil recovery of fraudulent Medicaid claims.	$112,714	$112,714
Amount appropriated in this Act	$1,283,836	$4,883,937

Section 33: Natural Resources, Department of

Total Funds	**$248,600,677**
Federal Funds and Grants	**$50,293,306**
Federal Highway Administration Highway Planning and Construction (CFDA 20.205)	$11,607
Federal Funds Not Specifically Identified	$50,281,699
Other Funds	**$97,290,448**
Agency Funds	$24,259,164
Other Funds - Not Specifically Identified	$73,031,284
State Funds	**$101,016,923**
State General Funds	$101,016,923

Provided, that to the extent State Parks and Historic Sites receipts are realized in excess of the amount of such funds contemplated in this Act, the Office of Planning and Budget is authorized to use up to 50 percent of the excess receipts to supplant State funds and the balance may be amended into the budget of the Parks, Recreation and Historic Sites Division for the most critical needs of the Division. This provision shall not apply to revenues collected from a state park's parking pass implemented by the Department.

33.1. Coastal Resources

Purpose: The purpose of this appropriation is to preserve the natural, environmental, historic, archaeological, and recreational resources of the state's coastal zone by balancing economic development with resource preservation and improvement by assessing and restoring coastal wetlands, by regulating development within the coastal zone, by promulgating and enforcing rules and regulations to protect the coastal wetlands, by monitoring the population status of commercially and recreationally fished species and developing fishery management plans, by providing fishing education, and by constructing and maintaining artificial reefs.

Total Funds $7,044,676

Federal Funds and Grants	$4,838,671
Federal Funds Not Specifically Identified	$4,838,671
Other Funds	$105,094
Other Funds - Not Specifically Identified	$105,094
State Funds	$2,100,911
State General Funds	$2,100,911

The above amounts include the following adjustments, additions, and deletions to the previous appropriations act (as amended):

	State Funds	Total Funds
Amount from previous Appropriations Act (HB 106) as amended	$2,053,557	$6,997,322
Provide funds for merit-based pay adjustments and employee recruitment and retention initiatives effective July 1, 2014.	$9,749	$9,749
Increase funds to reflect an adjustment in the employer share of the Employees' Retirement System.	$37,605	$37,605
Amount appropriated in this Act	$2,100,911	$7,044,676

33.2. Departmental Administration

Purpose: The purpose of this appropriation is to provide administrative support for all programs of the department.

Total Funds	$11,797,867
Federal Funds and Grants	$110,000
Federal Funds Not Specifically Identified	$110,000
Other Funds	$39,065
Other Funds - Not Specifically Identified	$39,065
State Funds	$11,648,802
State General Funds	$11,648,802

The above amounts include the following adjustments, additions, and deletions to the previous appropriations act (as amended):

	State Funds	Total Funds
Amount from previous Appropriations Act (HB 106) as amended	$11,445,718	$11,594,783
Provide funds for merit-based pay adjustments and employee recruitment and retention initiatives effective July 1, 2014.	$48,728	$48,728
Increase funds to reflect an adjustment in the employer share of the Employees' Retirement System.	$137,887	$137,887
Reflect an adjustment in TeamWorks billings.	$16,469	$16,469
Amount appropriated in this Act	$11,648,802	$11,797,867

33.3. Environmental Protection

Purpose: The purpose of this appropriation is to protect the quality of Georgia's air by controlling, monitoring and regulating pollution from large, small, mobile, and area sources (including pollution from motor vehicle emissions) by performing ambient air monitoring, and by participating in the Clean Air Campaign; to protect Georgia's land by permitting, managing, and

planning for solid waste facilities, by implementing waste reduction strategies, by administering the Solid Waste Trust Fund and the Underground Storage Tank program, by cleaning up scrap tire piles, and by permitting and regulating surface mining operations; to protect Georgia and its citizens from hazardous materials by investigating and remediating hazardous sites, and by utilizing the Hazardous Waste Trust Fund to manage the state's hazardous sites inventory, to oversee site cleanup and brownfield remediation, to remediate abandoned sites, to respond to environmental emergencies, and to monitor and regulate the hazardous materials industry in Georgia. The purpose of this appropriation is also to ensure the quality and quantity of Georgia's water supplies by managing floodplains, by ensuring the safety of dams, by monitoring, regulating, and certifying water quality, and by regulating the amount of water used.

Total Funds	$115,164,243
Federal Funds and Grants	$28,835,422
Federal Funds Not Specifically Identified	$28,835,422
Other Funds	$56,778,515
Agency Funds	$24,259,164
Other Funds - Not Specifically Identified	$32,519,351
State Funds	$29,550,306
State General Funds	$29,550,306

The above amounts include the following adjustments, additions, and deletions to the previous appropriations act (as amended):

	State Funds	Total Funds
Amount from previous Appropriations Act (HB 106) as amended	$25,897,906	$111,511,843
Provide funds for merit-based pay adjustments and employee recruitment and retention initiatives effective July 1, 2014.	$176,205	$176,205
Increase funds to reflect an adjustment in the employer share of the Employees' Retirement System.	$426,195	$426,195
Provide one-time funds for water related studies and updates to Regional Water Plans.	$3,050,000	$3,050,000
Amount appropriated in this Act	$29,550,306	$115,164,243

33.4. Hazardous Waste Trust Fund

Purpose: The purpose of this appropriation is to fund investigations and cleanup of abandoned landfills and other hazardous sites, to meet cost-sharing requirements for Superfund sites identified by the US Environmental Protection Agency, to fund related operations and oversight positions within the Environmental Protection Division, and to reimburse local governments for landfill remediation.

Total Funds	$4,027,423
State Funds	$4,027,423
State General Funds	$4,027,423

The above amounts include the following adjustments, additions, and deletions to the previous appropriations act (as amended):		
	State Funds	Total Funds
Amount from previous Appropriations Act (HB 106) as amended	$3,397,423	$3,397,423
Increase funds for hazardous waste cleanup activities.	$630,000	$630,000
Amount appropriated in this Act	$4,027,423	$4,027,423

33.5. Historic Preservation

Purpose: The purpose of this appropriation is to identify, protect, and preserve Georgia's historical sites by administering historic preservation grants, by cataloging all historic resources statewide, by providing research and planning required to list a site on the state and national historic registries, by working with building owners to ensure that renovation plans comply with historic preservation standards, and by executing and sponsoring archaeological research.

Total Funds	$2,624,665
Federal Funds and Grants	$1,020,787
Federal Highway Administration Highway Planning and Construction (CFDA 20.205)	$11,607
Federal Funds Not Specifically Identified	$1,009,180
State Funds	$1,603,878
State General Funds	$1,603,878

The above amounts include the following adjustments, additions, and deletions to the previous appropriations act (as amended):		
	State Funds	Total Funds
Amount from previous Appropriations Act (HB 106) as amended	$1,580,815	$2,601,602
Provide funds for merit-based pay adjustments and employee recruitment and retention initiatives effective July 1, 2014.	$10,528	$10,528
Increase funds to reflect an adjustment in the employer share of the Employees' Retirement System.	$12,535	$12,535
Amount appropriated in this Act	$1,603,878	$2,624,665

33.6. Law Enforcement

Purpose: The purpose of this appropriation is to enforce all state and federal laws and departmental regulations relative to protecting Georgia's wildlife, natural, archeological, and cultural resources, DNR properties, boating safety, and litter and waste laws; to teach hunter and boater education classes; and to assist other law enforcement agencies upon request in providing public safety for the citizens and visitors of Georgia.

Total Funds	$19,742,141
Federal Funds and Grants	$2,248,458
Federal Funds Not Specifically Identified	$2,248,458
Other Funds	$3,657

Other Funds - Not Specifically Identified	$3,657
State Funds	$17,490,026
State General Funds	$17,490,026

The above amounts include the following adjustments, additions, and deletions to the previous appropriations act (as amended):

	State Funds	Total Funds
Amount from previous Appropriations Act (HB 106) as amended	$0	$0
Provide funds for merit-based pay adjustments and employee recruitment and retention initiatives effective July 1, 2014.	$83,492	$83,492
Increase funds to reflect an adjustment in the employer share of the Employees' Retirement System.	$388,589	$388,589
Create a new Law Enforcement program and transfer 221 positions from the Wildlife Resources program.	$15,919,247	$18,171,362
Increase funds to provide for the final installment of the law enforcement career ladder in the Law Enforcement program.	$1,098,698	$1,098,698
Amount appropriated in this Act	$17,490,026	$19,742,141

33.7. Parks, Recreation and Historic Sites

Purpose: The purpose of this appropriation is to manage, operate, market, and maintain the state's golf courses, parks, lodges, conference centers, and historic sites.

Total Funds	$48,034,137
Federal Funds and Grants	$1,704,029
Federal Funds Not Specifically Identified	$1,704,029
Other Funds	$31,619,991
Other Funds - Not Specifically Identified	$31,619,991
State Funds	$14,710,117
State General Funds	$14,710,117

The above amounts include the following adjustments, additions, and deletions to the previous appropriations act (as amended):

	State Funds	Total Funds
Amount from previous Appropriations Act (HB 106) as amended	$13,615,630	$46,939,650
Provide funds for merit-based pay adjustments and employee recruitment and retention initiatives effective July 1, 2014.	$89,314	$89,314
Increase funds to reflect an adjustment in the employer share of the Employees' Retirement System.	$50,141	$50,141
Increase funds to provide for the final installment of the law enforcement career ladder in the Parks, Recreation and Historic Parks program.	$407,032	$407,032
Increase funds for outdoor recreational facilities.	$548,000	$548,000
Amount appropriated in this Act	$14,710,117	$48,034,137

33.8. Solid Waste Trust Fund

Purpose: The purpose of this appropriation is to fund the administration of the Scrap Tire Management Program; to enable emergency, preventative, and corrective actions at solid waste disposal facilities; to assist local governments with the development of solid waste management plans; and to promote statewide recycling and waste reduction programs.

Total Funds	$2,720,775
State Funds	$2,720,775
State General Funds	$2,720,775

The above amounts include the following adjustments, additions, and deletions to the previous appropriations act (as amended):

	State Funds	Total Funds
Amount from previous Appropriations Act (HB 106) as amended	$1,865,775	$1,865,775
Increase funds for two positions and operating expenses to increase solid waste inspection activities.	$120,000	$120,000
Increase funds for solid waste cleanup activities.	$735,000	$735,000
Amount appropriated in this Act	$2,720,775	$2,720,775

33.9. Wildlife Resources

Purpose: The purpose of this appropriation is to regulate hunting, fishing, and the operation of watercraft in Georgia; to provide hunter and boating education; to protect non-game and endangered wildlife; to promulgate statewide hunting, fishing, trapping, and coastal commercial fishing regulations; to operate the state's archery and shooting ranges; to license hunters and anglers; and to register boats.

Total Funds	$37,444,750
Federal Funds and Grants	$11,535,939
Federal Funds Not Specifically Identified	$11,535,939
Other Funds	$8,744,126
Other Funds - Not Specifically Identified	$8,744,126
State Funds	$17,164,685
State General Funds	$17,164,685

The above amounts include the following adjustments, additions, and deletions to the previous appropriations act (as amended):

	State Funds	Total Funds
Amount from previous Appropriations Act (HB 106) as amended	$32,637,208	$55,169,388
Provide funds for merit-based pay adjustments and employee recruitment and retention initiatives effective July 1, 2014.	$80,074	$80,074
Increase funds to reflect an adjustment in the employer share of the Employees' Retirement System.	$200,562	$200,562
Increase funds to provide for the final installment of the law enforcement career ladder in the Wildlife Resources program.	$166,088	$166,088
Transfer 221 positions to the new Law Enforcement	($15,919,247)	($18,171,362)

program.		
Amount appropriated in this Act	$17,164,685	$37,444,750

Section 34: Pardons and Paroles, State Board of

Total Funds	**$54,977,595**
Federal Funds and Grants	**$806,050**
Federal Funds Not Specifically Identified	$806,050
State Funds	**$54,171,545**
State General Funds	$54,171,545

34.1. Board Administration

Purpose: The purpose of this appropriation is to provide administrative support for the agency.

Total Funds	$5,085,089
State Funds	$5,085,089
State General Funds	$5,085,089

The above amounts include the following adjustments, additions, and deletions to the previous appropriations act (as amended):

	State Funds	Total Funds
Amount from previous Appropriations Act (HB 106) as amended	$5,011,671	$5,011,671
Provide funds for merit-based pay adjustments and employee recruitment and retention initiatives effective July 1, 2014.	$24,651	$24,651
Increase funds to reflect an adjustment in the employer share of the Employees' Retirement System.	$56,613	$56,613
Reflect an adjustment in TeamWorks billings.	($7,846)	($7,846)
Amount appropriated in this Act	$5,085,089	$5,085,089

34.2. Clemency Decisions

Purpose: The purpose of this appropriation is to collect data on offenders within the correctional system, make determinations regarding offender eligibility for parole, investigate allegations of employee misconduct, manage the agency's public relations efforts, and administer the Re-Entry Partnership Housing Program.

Total Funds	$12,179,555
State Funds	$12,179,555
State General Funds	$12,179,555

The above amounts include the following adjustments, additions, and deletions to the previous appropriations act (as amended):

	State Funds	Total Funds
Amount from previous Appropriations Act (HB 106) as amended	$11,946,790	$11,946,790
Provide funds for merit-based pay adjustments and employee recruitment and retention initiatives effective	$87,445	$87,445

July 1, 2014.		
Increase funds to reflect an adjustment in the employer share of the Employees' Retirement System.	$245,320	$245,320
Eliminate one-time funds for Clemency Online Navigation System implementation and temporary labor.	($100,000)	($100,000)
Amount appropriated in this Act	$12,179,555	$12,179,555

34.3. Parole Supervision

Purpose: The purpose of this appropriation is to transition offenders from prison back into the community as law abiding citizens by providing drug testing, electronic monitoring, parole supervision, and substance abuse treatment, and collecting supervision fees, victims' compensation, and restitution.

Total Funds	$37,240,455
Federal Funds and Grants	$806,050
Federal Funds Not Specifically Identified	$806,050
State Funds	$36,434,405
State General Funds	$36,434,405

The above amounts include the following adjustments, additions, and deletions to the previous appropriations act (as amended):

	State Funds	Total Funds
Amount from previous Appropriations Act (HB 106) as amended	$35,567,816	$36,373,866
Provide funds for merit-based pay adjustments and employee recruitment and retention initiatives effective July 1, 2014.	$234,417	$234,417
Increase funds to reflect an adjustment in the employer share of the Employees' Retirement System.	$632,172	$632,172
Amount appropriated in this Act	$36,434,405	$37,240,455

34.4. Victim Services

Purpose: The purpose of this appropriation is to provide notification to victims of changes in offender status or placement through the Victim Information Program, to conduct outreach and information gathering from victims during clemency proceedings, to host victim and visitor days, and act as a liaison for victims to the state corrections system.

Total Funds	$472,496
State Funds	$472,496
State General Funds	$472,496

The above amounts include the following adjustments, additions, and deletions to the previous appropriations act (as amended):

	State Funds	Total Funds
Amount from previous Appropriations Act (HB 106) as amended	$460,331	$460,331
Provide funds for merit-based pay adjustments and employee recruitment and retention initiatives effective July 1, 2014.	$2,730	$2,730

Increase funds to reflect an adjustment in the employer share of the Employees' Retirement System.	$9,435	$9,435
Amount appropriated in this Act	$472,496	$472,496

Section 35: Properties Commission, State

Total Funds	**$820,201**
Other Funds	**$820,201**
Other Funds - Not Specifically Identified	$705,234
Prior Year Funds - Other	$114,967

35.1. State Properties Commission

Purpose: The purpose of this appropriation is to maintain long-term plans for state buildings and land; to compile an accessible database of state-owned and leased real property with information about utilization, demand management, and space standards; and to negotiate better rates in the leasing market and property acquisitions and dispositions.

Total Funds	$820,201
Other Funds	$820,201
Other Funds - Not Specifically Identified	$705,234
Prior Year Funds - Other	$114,967

The following appropriations are for agencies attached for administrative purposes.

35.2. Georgia Building Authority

Purpose: The purpose of this appropriation is to provide maintenance, repairs, and preparatory work on property owned by the Georgia Building Authority.

Total Funds $0

The above amounts include the following adjustments, additions, and deletions to the previous appropriations act (as amended):

	State Funds	Total Funds
Amount from previous Appropriations Act (HB 106) as amended	$0	$0
Reduce the payment to the Office of the State Treasurer by $1,996,734 from $2,842,668 to $845,934. *(CC:Yes)*	$0	$0
Amount appropriated in this Act	$0	$0

Section 36: Public Defender Standards Council, Georgia

Total Funds	**$43,012,664**
Other Funds	**$340,000**
Other Funds - Not Specifically Identified	$340,000
State Funds	**$42,672,664**

State General Funds	$42,672,664

36.1. Public Defender Standards Council

Purpose: The purpose of this appropriation is to fund the Office of the Georgia Capital Defender, Office of the Mental Health Advocate, and Central Office.

Total Funds	$6,904,859
Other Funds	$340,000
Other Funds - Not Specifically Identified	$340,000
State Funds	$6,564,859
State General Funds	$6,564,859

The above amounts include the following adjustments, additions, and deletions to the previous appropriations act (as amended):

	State Funds	Total Funds
Amount from previous Appropriations Act (HB 106) as amended	$6,082,218	$6,422,218
Provide funds for merit-based pay adjustments and employee recruitment and retention initiatives effective July 1, 2014.	$35,810	$35,810
Increase funds to reflect an adjustment in the employer share of the Employees' Retirement System.	$106,831	$106,831
Increase funds for personal services to eliminate furlough days.	$340,000	$340,000
Amount appropriated in this Act	$6,564,859	$6,904,859

36.2. Public Defenders

Purpose: The purpose of this appropriation is to assure that adequate and effective legal representation is provided, independently of political considerations or private interests, to indigent persons who are entitled to representation under this chapter; provided that staffing for circuits are based on O.C.G.A. 17-12.

Total Funds	$36,107,805
State Funds	$36,107,805
State General Funds	$36,107,805

The above amounts include the following adjustments, additions, and deletions to the previous appropriations act (as amended):

	State Funds	Total Funds
Amount from previous Appropriations Act (HB 106) as amended	$35,135,808	$35,135,808
Provide funds for merit-based pay adjustments and employee recruitment and retention initiatives effective July 1, 2014.	$223,973	$223,973
Increase funds to reflect an adjustment in the employer share of the Employees' Retirement System.	$605,374	$605,374
Annualize funds for two Assistant Public Defenders to reflect the new judgeships in the Chattahoochee and Oconee Judicial Circuits provided in HB 451 (2013 Session).	$70,474	$70,474
Provide funds for two Assistant Public Defenders to	$72,176	$72,176

reflect the new judgeships in the Coweta and Waycross Judicial Circuits starting April 1, 2015. *(CC:Provide funds for two assistant public defenders to reflect the new judgeships in the Coweta and Waycross Judicial Circuits starting January 1, 2015.)*		
Amount appropriated in this Act	$36,107,805	$36,107,805

Section 37: Public Health, Department of

Total Funds	**$662,211,522**
Federal Funds and Grants	**$427,085,823**
Maternal and Child Health Services Block Grant (CFDA 93.994)	$20,411,154
Medical Assistance Program (CFDA 93.778)	$1,807,258
Preventive Health and Health Services Block Grant (CFDA 93.991)	$1,957,150
Temporary Assistance for Needy Families Block Grant (CFDA 93.558)	$10,404,529
Federal Funds Not Specifically Identified	$392,505,732
Other Funds	**$2,847,221**
Agency Funds	$692,524
Other Funds - Not Specifically Identified	$2,154,697
State Funds	**$232,260,878**
Brain and Spinal Injury Trust Fund	$1,784,064
State General Funds	$216,758,954
Tobacco Settlement Funds	$13,717,860
Intra-State Government Transfers	**$17,600**
Other Intra-State Government Payments	$17,600

37.1. Adolescent and Adult Health Promotion

Purpose: The purpose of this appropriation is to provide education and services to promote the health and well-being of Georgians. Activities include preventing teenage pregnancies, tobacco use prevention, cancer screening and prevention, and family planning services.

Total Funds	$36,979,808
Federal Funds and Grants	$25,692,357
Maternal and Child Health Services Block Grant (CFDA 93.994)	$500,000
Preventive Health and Health Services Block Grant (CFDA 93.991)	$149,000
Temporary Assistance for Needy Families Block Grant (CFDA 93.558)	$10,404,529
Federal Funds Not Specifically Identified	$14,638,828
Other Funds	$745,000
Other Funds - Not Specifically Identified	$745,000
State Funds	$10,542,451
State General Funds	$3,685,272
Tobacco Settlement Funds	$6,857,179

The above amounts include the following adjustments, additions, and deletions to the previous appropriations act (as amended):		
	State Funds	Total Funds
Amount from previous Appropriations Act (HB 106) as amended	$10,280,863	$36,718,220
Provide funds for merit-based pay adjustments and employee recruitment and retention initiatives effective July 1, 2014.	$11,050	$11,050
Increase funds to reflect an adjustment in the employer share of the Employees' Retirement System.	$25,538	$25,538
Increase tobacco settlement funds for the Georgia Center for Oncology Research and Education (CORE).	$225,000	$225,000
Amount appropriated in this Act	$10,542,451	$36,979,808

37.2. Adult Essential Health Treatment Services

Purpose: The purpose of this appropriation is to provide treatment and services to low-income Georgians with cancer, and Georgians at risk of stroke or heart attacks.

Total Funds	$6,913,249
Federal Funds and Grants	$300,000
Preventive Health and Health Services Block Grant (CFDA 93.991)	$300,000
State Funds	$6,613,249
Tobacco Settlement Funds	$6,613,249

The above amounts include the following adjustments, additions, and deletions to the previous appropriations act (as amended):		
	State Funds	Total Funds
Amount from previous Appropriations Act (HB 106) as amended	$6,616,420	$6,916,420
Reduce funds for operations.	($3,171)	($3,171)
Amount appropriated in this Act	$6,613,249	$6,913,249

37.3. Departmental Administration

Purpose: The purpose of this appropriation is to provide administrative support to all departmental programs.

Total Funds	$29,915,620
Federal Funds and Grants	$7,654,298
Medical Assistance Program (CFDA 93.778)	$1,807,258
Preventive Health and Health Services Block Grant (CFDA 93.991)	$471,900
Federal Funds Not Specifically Identified	$5,375,140
Other Funds	$445,000
Other Funds - Not Specifically Identified	$445,000
State Funds	$21,816,322
State General Funds	$21,684,527
Tobacco Settlement Funds	$131,795

The above amounts include the following adjustments, additions, and deletions to the previous appropriations act (as amended):

	State Funds	Total Funds
Amount from previous Appropriations Act (HB 106) as amended	$20,887,885	$28,987,183
Provide funds for merit-based pay adjustments and employee recruitment and retention initiatives effective July 1, 2014.	$173,557	$173,557
Increase funds to reflect an adjustment in the employer share of the Employees' Retirement System.	$706,394	$706,394
Reflect an adjustment in TeamWorks billings.	$48,486	$48,486
Amount appropriated in this Act	$21,816,322	$29,915,620

37.4. Emergency Preparedness/Trauma System Improvement

Purpose: The purpose of this appropriation is to prepare for natural disasters, bioterrorism, and other emergencies, as well as improving the capacity of the state's trauma system.

Total Funds	$37,739,187
Federal Funds and Grants	$35,035,447
Maternal and Child Health Services Block Grant (CFDA 93.994)	$280,000
Federal Funds Not Specifically Identified	$34,755,447
Other Funds	$171,976
Other Funds - Not Specifically Identified	$171,976
State Funds	$2,531,764
State General Funds	$2,531,764

The above amounts include the following adjustments, additions, and deletions to the previous appropriations act (as amended):

	State Funds	Total Funds
Amount from previous Appropriations Act (HB 106) as amended	$2,451,132	$37,658,555
Provide funds for merit-based pay adjustments and employee recruitment and retention initiatives effective July 1, 2014.	$17,646	$17,646
Increase funds to reflect an adjustment in the employer share of the Employees' Retirement System.	$62,986	$62,986
Amount appropriated in this Act	$2,531,764	$37,739,187

37.5. Epidemiology

Purpose: The purpose of this appropriation is to monitor, investigate, and respond to disease, injury, and other events of public health concern.

Total Funds	$10,799,070
Federal Funds and Grants	$6,373,324
Preventive Health and Health Services Block Grant (CFDA 93.991)	$196,750
Federal Funds Not Specifically Identified	$6,176,574
Other Funds	$25,156

Agency Funds	$25,156
State Funds	$4,382,990
State General Funds	$4,267,353
Tobacco Settlement Funds	$115,637
Intra-State Government Transfers	$17,600
Other Intra-State Government Payments	$17,600

The above amounts include the following adjustments, additions, and deletions to the previous appropriations act (as amended):

	State Funds	Total Funds
Amount from previous Appropriations Act (HB 106) as amended	$4,141,841	$10,557,921
Provide funds for merit-based pay adjustments and employee recruitment and retention initiatives effective July 1, 2014.	$9,671	$9,671
Increase funds to reflect an adjustment in the employer share of the Employees' Retirement System.	$36,478	$36,478
Increase funds for Hepatitis C screenings and training. *(CC:Increase funds for Hepatitis C program.)*	$85,000	$85,000
Increase funds to establish an Alzheimer's Registry.	$110,000	$110,000
Amount appropriated in this Act	$4,382,990	$10,799,070

37.6. Immunization

Purpose: The purpose of this appropriation is to provide immunization, consultation, training, assessment, vaccines, and technical assistance.

Total Funds	$13,663,830
Federal Funds and Grants	$10,425,482
Preventive Health and Health Services Block Grant (CFDA 93.991)	$500,000
Federal Funds Not Specifically Identified	$9,925,482
Other Funds	$717,721
Other Funds - Not Specifically Identified	$717,721
State Funds	$2,520,627
State General Funds	$2,520,627

The above amounts include the following adjustments, additions, and deletions to the previous appropriations act (as amended):

	State Funds	Total Funds
Amount from previous Appropriations Act (HB 106) as amended	$2,507,264	$13,650,467
Provide funds for merit-based pay adjustments and employee recruitment and retention initiatives effective July 1, 2014.	$2,420	$2,420
Increase funds to reflect an adjustment in the employer share of the Employees' Retirement System.	$10,943	$10,943
Amount appropriated in this Act	$2,520,627	$13,663,830

37.7. Infant and Child Essential Health Treatment Services

Purpose: The purpose of this appropriation is to avoid unnecessary health

problems in later life by providing comprehensive health services to infants and children.

Total Funds	$43,948,661
Federal Funds and Grants	$23,123,436
Maternal and Child Health Services Block Grant (CFDA 93.994)	$8,733,918
Preventive Health and Health Services Block Grant (CFDA 93.991)	$116,500
Federal Funds Not Specifically Identified	$14,273,018
Other Funds	$75,000
Other Funds - Not Specifically Identified	$75,000
State Funds	$20,750,225
State General Funds	$20,750,225

The above amounts include the following adjustments, additions, and deletions to the previous appropriations act (as amended):

	State Funds	Total Funds
Amount from previous Appropriations Act (HB 106) as amended	$20,694,891	$43,893,327
Provide funds for merit-based pay adjustments and employee recruitment and retention initiatives effective July 1, 2014.	$10,843	$10,843
Increase funds to reflect an adjustment in the employer share of the Employees' Retirement System.	$44,491	$44,491
Amount appropriated in this Act	$20,750,225	$43,948,661

37.8. Infant and Child Health Promotion

Purpose: The purpose of this appropriation is to provide education and services to promote health and nutrition for infants and children.

Total Funds	$268,534,403
Federal Funds and Grants	$255,725,203
Maternal and Child Health Services Block Grant (CFDA 93.994)	$10,612,537
Federal Funds Not Specifically Identified	$245,112,666
Other Funds	$49,137
Agency Funds	$49,137
State Funds	$12,760,063
State General Funds	$12,760,063

The above amounts include the following adjustments, additions, and deletions to the previous appropriations act (as amended):

	State Funds	Total Funds
Amount from previous Appropriations Act (HB 106) as amended	$12,192,738	$267,967,078
Provide funds for merit-based pay adjustments and employee recruitment and retention initiatives effective July 1, 2014.	$15,652	$15,652
Increase funds to reflect an adjustment in the employer share of the Employees' Retirement System.	$61,673	$61,673

Increase funds for personnel for a State Autism Coordinator. *(CC:No)*	$0	$0
Increase funds for early intervention providers for earlier detection and diagnosis of autism in children.	$250,000	$250,000
Increase funds for the training of early autism intervention providers and one coaching position to support families receiving early intervention services. *(CC:Increase funds for the training of early autism intervention providers to support families receiving early intervention services.)*	$240,000	$240,000
Amount appropriated in this Act	$12,760,063	$268,534,403

37.9. Infectious Disease Control

Purpose: The purpose of this appropriation is to ensure quality prevention and treatment of HIV/AIDS, sexually transmitted diseases, tuberculosis, and other infectious diseases.

Total Funds	$92,682,793
Federal Funds and Grants	$61,172,002
Maternal and Child Health Services Block Grant (CFDA 93.994)	$84,489
Federal Funds Not Specifically Identified	$61,087,513
State Funds	$31,510,791
State General Funds	$31,510,791

The above amounts include the following adjustments, additions, and deletions to the previous appropriations act (as amended):

	State Funds	Total Funds
Amount from previous Appropriations Act (HB 106) as amended	$31,228,127	$92,400,129
Provide funds for merit-based pay adjustments and employee recruitment and retention initiatives effective July 1, 2014.	$56,301	$56,301
Increase funds to reflect an adjustment in the employer share of the Employees' Retirement System.	$226,363	$226,363
Amount appropriated in this Act	$31,510,791	$92,682,793

37.10. Inspections and Environmental Hazard Control

Purpose: The purpose of this appropriation is to detect and prevent environmental hazards, as well as providing inspection and enforcement of health regulations for food service establishments, sewage management facilities, and swimming pools.

Total Funds	$5,386,763
Federal Funds and Grants	$1,053,594
Maternal and Child Health Services Block Grant (CFDA 93.994)	$200,210
Preventive Health and Health Services Block Grant (CFDA 93.991)	$223,000
Federal Funds Not Specifically Identified	$630,384
Other Funds	$618,231

Agency Funds	$618,231
State Funds	$3,714,938
State General Funds	$3,714,938

The above amounts include the following adjustments, additions, and deletions to the previous appropriations act (as amended):

	State Funds	Total Funds
Amount from previous Appropriations Act (HB 106) as amended	$3,620,859	$5,292,684
Provide funds for merit-based pay adjustments and employee recruitment and retention initiatives effective July 1, 2014.	$18,315	$18,315
Increase funds to reflect an adjustment in the employer share of the Employees' Retirement System.	$75,764	$75,764
Amount appropriated in this Act	$3,714,938	$5,386,763

37.11. Public Health Formula Grants to Counties

Purpose: The purpose of this appropriation is to provide general grant-in-aid to county boards of health delivering local public health services.

Total Funds	$93,242,955
State Funds	$93,242,955
State General Funds	$93,242,955

The above amounts include the following adjustments, additions, and deletions to the previous appropriations act (as amended):

	State Funds	Total Funds
Amount from previous Appropriations Act (HB 106) as amended	$87,317,646	$87,317,646
Increase funds to reflect an adjustment in the employer share of the Employees' Retirement System.	$4,585,309	$4,585,309
Increase funds for the fourth year phase-in of the new grant-in-aid formula to hold harmless all counties.	$1,340,000	$1,340,000
Amount appropriated in this Act	$93,242,955	$93,242,955

37.12. Vital Records

Purpose: The purpose of this appropriation is to register, enter, archive and provide to the public in a timely manner vital records and associated documents.

Total Funds	$4,260,651
Federal Funds and Grants	$530,680
Federal Funds Not Specifically Identified	$530,680
State Funds	$3,729,971
State General Funds	$3,729,971

The above amounts include the following adjustments, additions, and deletions to the previous appropriations act (as amended):

	State Funds	Total Funds
Amount from previous Appropriations Act (HB 106) as amended	$3,641,696	$4,172,376
Provide funds for merit-based pay adjustments and	$17,354	$17,354

employee recruitment and retention initiatives effective July 1, 2014.		
Increase funds to reflect an adjustment in the employer share of the Employees' Retirement System.	$70,921	$70,921
Amount appropriated in this Act	$3,729,971	$4,260,651

The following appropriations are for agencies attached for administrative purposes.

37.13. Brain and Spinal Injury Trust Fund

Purpose: The purpose of this appropriation is to provide disbursements from the Trust Fund to offset the costs of care and rehabilitative services to citizens of the state who have survived brain or spinal cord injuries.

Total Funds	$1,784,064
State Funds	$1,784,064
Brain and Spinal Injury Trust Fund	$1,784,064

The above amounts include the following adjustments, additions, and deletions to the previous appropriations act (as amended):

	State Funds	Total Funds
Amount from previous Appropriations Act (HB 106) as amended	$1,988,502	$1,988,502
Reduce funds to reflect FY 2013 collections.	($204,438)	($204,438)
Utilize prior year funds of $204,438 to maintain budget at current level. *(CC:Yes)*	$0	$0
Amount appropriated in this Act	$1,784,064	$1,784,064

37.14. Georgia Trauma Care Network Commission

Purpose: The purpose of this appropriation is to establish, maintain, and administer a trauma center network, to coordinate the best use of existing trauma facilities and to direct patients to the best available facility for treatment of traumatic injury and participate in the accountability mechanism for the entire Georgia trauma system, primarily overseeing the flow of funds for system improvement.

Total Funds	$16,360,468
State Funds	$16,360,468
State General Funds	$16,360,468

The above amounts include the following adjustments, additions, and deletions to the previous appropriations act (as amended):

	State Funds	Total Funds
Amount from previous Appropriations Act (HB 106) as amended	$15,345,972	$15,345,972
Provide funds for merit-based pay adjustments and employee recruitment and retention initiatives effective July 1, 2014.	$3,728	$3,728
Increase funds to reflect an adjustment in the employer share of the Employees' Retirement System.	$10,768	$10,768
Reflect a change in the program purpose statement.	$0	$0

(CC:Yes)		
Increase funds to reflect enhanced collections from the Super Speeder penalty and driver's license reinstatement fees.	$1,000,000	$1,000,000
Amount appropriated in this Act	$16,360,468	$16,360,468

Section 38: Public Safety, Department of

Total Funds	**$205,436,629**
Federal Funds and Grants	**$32,373,752**
Federal Funds Not Specifically Identified	$32,373,752
Other Funds	**$16,807,855**
Agency Funds	$146,700
Other Funds - Not Specifically Identified	$16,661,155
State Funds	**$130,656,876**
State General Funds	$130,656,876
Intra-State Government Transfers	**$25,598,146**
Other Intra-State Government Payments	$25,598,146

38.1. Aviation

Purpose: The purpose of this appropriation is to provide aerial support for search and rescue missions and search and apprehension missions in criminal pursuits within the State of Georgia; to provide transport flights to conduct state business, for emergency medical transport, and to support local and federal agencies in public safety efforts with aerial surveillance and observation.

Total Funds	$8,421,833
Federal Funds and Grants	$243,034
Federal Funds Not Specifically Identified	$243,034
Other Funds	$100,000
Other Funds - Not Specifically Identified	$100,000
State Funds	$5,398,799
State General Funds	$5,398,799
Intra-State Government Transfers	$2,680,000
Other Intra-State Government Payments	$2,680,000

The above amounts include the following adjustments, additions, and deletions to the previous appropriations act (as amended):

	State Funds	Total Funds
Amount from previous Appropriations Act (HB 106) as amended	$3,157,775	$6,180,809
Provide funds for merit-based pay adjustments and employee recruitment and retention initiatives effective July 1, 2014.	$15,624	$15,624
Increase funds to reflect an adjustment in the employer share of the Employees' Retirement System.	$44,627	$44,627

Reflect an adjustment in TeamWorks billings.	$323	$323
Reflect a change in the program purpose statement. *(CC:Yes)*	$0	$0
Provide funds for operating expenses for Life Flight helicopters.	$2,180,450	$2,180,450
Amount appropriated in this Act	$5,398,799	$8,421,833

38.2. Capitol Police Services

Purpose: The purpose of this appropriation is to protect life and property in the Capitol Square area, enforce traffic regulations around the Capitol, monitor entrances of state buildings, screen packages and personal items of individuals entering state facilities, and provide general security for elected officials, government employees, and visitors to the Capitol.

Total Funds	$7,372,499
Intra-State Government Transfers	$7,372,499
Other Intra-State Government Payments	$7,372,499

38.3. Departmental Administration

Purpose: The purpose of this appropriation is to work cooperatively with all levels of government to provide a safe environment for residents and visitors to our state.

Total Funds	$8,629,022
Federal Funds and Grants	$141,571
Federal Funds Not Specifically Identified	$141,571
Other Funds	$3,510
Other Funds - Not Specifically Identified	$3,510
State Funds	$8,483,941
State General Funds	$8,483,941

The above amounts include the following adjustments, additions, and deletions to the previous appropriations act (as amended):

	State Funds	Total Funds
Amount from previous Appropriations Act (HB 106) as amended	$8,312,606	$8,457,687
Provide funds for merit-based pay adjustments and employee recruitment and retention initiatives effective July 1, 2014.	$49,090	$49,090
Increase funds to reflect an adjustment in the employer share of the Employees' Retirement System.	$119,624	$119,624
Reflect an adjustment in TeamWorks billings.	$2,621	$2,621
Amount appropriated in this Act	$8,483,941	$8,629,022

38.4. Field Offices and Services

Purpose: The purpose of this appropriation is to provide enforcement for traffic and criminal laws through the Department of Public Safety's Uniform Division, and support a variety of specialized teams and offices, which include the Motorcycle Unit, Criminal Interdiction Unit, the Crisis Negotiations Team,

the Special Projects Adjutant Office, Headquarters Adjutant Office, Special Investigations Office, the Special Weapons and Tactics (SWAT) Unit, and the Training Unit.

Total Funds	$111,897,803
Federal Funds and Grants	$9,848,347
Federal Funds Not Specifically Identified	$9,848,347
Other Funds	$10,726,046
Agency Funds	$146,700
Other Funds - Not Specifically Identified	$10,579,346
State Funds	$88,381,107
State General Funds	$88,381,107
Intra-State Government Transfers	$2,942,303
Other Intra-State Government Payments	$2,942,303

The above amounts include the following adjustments, additions, and deletions to the previous appropriations act (as amended):

	State Funds	Total Funds
Amount from previous Appropriations Act (HB 106) as amended	$83,751,094	$107,267,790
Provide funds for merit-based pay adjustments and employee recruitment and retention initiatives effective July 1, 2014.	$561,635	$561,635
Increase funds to reflect an adjustment in the employer share of the Employees' Retirement System.	$1,627,428	$1,627,428
Reflect an adjustment in TeamWorks billings.	$21,510	$21,510
Replace federal and other funds with state funds for the Georgia Interoperability Network.	$868,787	$868,787
Provide funds for operating expenses for Post 52 in Hart County.	$1,202,304	$1,202,304
Increase funds for operating expenses for Post 3 in Bartow County.	$348,349	$348,349
Amount appropriated in this Act	$88,381,107	$111,897,803

38.5. Motor Carrier Compliance

Purpose: The purpose of this appropriation is to provide inspection, regulation, and enforcement for size, weight, and safety standards as well as traffic and criminal laws for commercial motor carriers, limousines, non-consensual tow trucks, household goods movers, all buses, and large passenger vehicles as well as providing High Occupancy Vehicle and High Occupancy Toll lane use restriction enforcement.

Total Funds	$24,556,336
Federal Funds and Grants	$3,827,142
Federal Funds Not Specifically Identified	$3,827,142
Other Funds	$2,761,146
Other Funds - Not Specifically Identified	$2,761,146
State Funds	$9,913,578
State General Funds	$9,913,578

Intra-State Government Transfers	$8,054,470
Other Intra-State Government Payments	$8,054,470

The above amounts include the following adjustments, additions, and deletions to the previous appropriations act (as amended):

	State Funds	Total Funds
Amount from previous Appropriations Act (HB 106) as amended	$9,797,945	$21,749,717
Provide funds for merit-based pay adjustments and employee recruitment and retention initiatives effective July 1, 2014.	$60,816	$60,816
Increase funds to reflect an adjustment in the employer share of the Employees' Retirement System.	$47,519	$47,519
Reflect an adjustment in TeamWorks billings.	$7,298	$7,298
Transfer funds from the Department of Revenue to the Department of Public Safety for the administration of the Unified Carrier Registration Agreement.	$0	$2,690,986
Amount appropriated in this Act	$9,913,578	$24,556,336

38.6. Troop J Specialty Units

Purpose: The purpose of this appropriation is to provide and coordinate the Implied Consent Unit to oversee and maintain the breath-alcohol program for the State of Georgia in coordination with the Forensics Science Division of the GBI.

Total Funds	$1,568,965
State Funds	$1,568,965
State General Funds	$1,568,965

The above amounts include the following adjustments, additions, and deletions to the previous appropriations act (as amended):

	State Funds	Total Funds
Amount from previous Appropriations Act (HB 106) as amended	$1,535,585	$1,535,585
Provide funds for merit-based pay adjustments and employee recruitment and retention initiatives effective July 1, 2014.	$0	$0
Increase funds to reflect an adjustment in the employer share of the Employees' Retirement System.	$33,057	$33,057
Reflect an adjustment in TeamWorks billings.	$323	$323
Amount appropriated in this Act	$1,568,965	$1,568,965

The following appropriations are for agencies attached for administrative purposes.

38.7. Firefighter Standards and Training Council

Purpose: The purpose of this appropriation is to provide professionally trained, competent, and ethical firefighters with the proper equipment and facilities to ensure a fire-safe environment for Georgia citizens, and establish professional standards for fire service training including consulting, testing, and certification of Georgia firefighters.

Total Funds	$679,657
State Funds	$679,657
State General Funds	$679,657

The above amounts include the following adjustments, additions, and deletions to the previous appropriations act (as amended):

	State Funds	Total Funds
Amount from previous Appropriations Act (HB 106) as amended	$663,757	$663,757
Provide funds for merit-based pay adjustments and employee recruitment and retention initiatives effective July 1, 2014.	$4,537	$4,537
Increase funds to reflect an adjustment in the employer share of the Employees' Retirement System.	$11,363	$11,363
Amount appropriated in this Act	$679,657	$679,657

38.8. Office of Highway Safety

Purpose: The purpose of this appropriation is to educate the public on highway safety issues, and facilitate the implementation of programs to reduce crashes, injuries, and fatalities on Georgia roadways.

Total Funds	$21,266,402
Federal Funds and Grants	$17,327,181
Federal Funds Not Specifically Identified	$17,327,181
Other Funds	$337,102
Other Funds - Not Specifically Identified	$337,102
State Funds	$3,483,719
State General Funds	$3,483,719
Intra-State Government Transfers	$118,400
Other Intra-State Government Payments	$118,400

The above amounts include the following adjustments, additions, and deletions to the previous appropriations act (as amended):

	State Funds	Total Funds
Amount from previous Appropriations Act (HB 106) as amended	$560,135	$18,342,818
Provide funds for merit-based pay adjustments and employee recruitment and retention initiatives effective July 1, 2014.	$2,871	$2,871
Increase funds to reflect an adjustment in the employer share of the Employees' Retirement System.	$6,818	$6,818
Increase funds for driver education and training to reflect intent of SB 231 (2013 Session).	$2,913,895	$2,913,895
Amount appropriated in this Act	$3,483,719	$21,266,402

38.9. Peace Officer Standards and Training Council

Purpose: The purpose of this appropriation is to set standards for the law enforcement community; ensure adequate training at the highest level for all of Georgia's law enforcement officers and public safety professionals; and, certify individuals when all requirements are met. Investigate officers and

public safety professionals when an allegation of unethical and/or illegal conduct is made, and sanction these individuals by disciplining officers and public safety professionals when necessary.

Total Funds	$2,418,273
Other Funds	$558,051
Other Funds - Not Specifically Identified	$558,051
State Funds	$1,860,222
State General Funds	$1,860,222

The above amounts include the following adjustments, additions, and deletions to the previous appropriations act (as amended):

	State Funds	Total Funds
Amount from previous Appropriations Act (HB 106) as amended	$1,973,232	$2,381,283
Provide funds for merit-based pay adjustments and employee recruitment and retention initiatives effective July 1, 2014.	$11,784	$11,784
Increase funds to reflect an adjustment in the employer share of the Employees' Retirement System.	$25,206	$25,206
Replace state funds with other funds for operations.	($150,000)	$0
Amount appropriated in this Act	$1,860,222	$2,418,273

38.10. Public Safety Training Center

Purpose: The purpose of this appropriation is to develop, deliver, and facilitate training that results in professional and competent public safety services for the people of Georgia.

Total Funds	$18,625,839
Federal Funds and Grants	$986,477
Federal Funds Not Specifically Identified	$986,477
Other Funds	$2,322,000
Other Funds - Not Specifically Identified	$2,322,000
State Funds	$10,886,888
State General Funds	$10,886,888
Intra-State Government Transfers	$4,430,474
Other Intra-State Government Payments	$4,430,474

The above amounts include the following adjustments, additions, and deletions to the previous appropriations act (as amended):

	State Funds	Total Funds
Amount from previous Appropriations Act (HB 106) as amended	$10,668,571	$18,407,522
Provide funds for merit-based pay adjustments and employee recruitment and retention initiatives effective July 1, 2014.	$64,824	$64,824
Increase funds to reflect an adjustment in the employer share of the Employees' Retirement System.	$150,409	$150,409
Reflect an adjustment in TeamWorks billings.	$3,084	$3,084
Utilize existing funds to maintain the contract for North Central Georgia Law Enforcement Academy at	$0	$0

$150,000. *(CC:Yes)*		
Amount appropriated in this Act	$10,886,888	$18,625,839

Section 39: Public Service Commission

Total Funds	**$9,357,242**
Federal Funds and Grants	**$1,300,246**
Federal Funds Not Specifically Identified	$1,300,246
State Funds	**$8,056,996**
State General Funds	$8,056,996

39.1. Commission Administration

Purpose: The purpose of this appropriation is to assist the Commissioners and staff in achieving the agency's goals.

Total Funds	$1,250,557
Federal Funds and Grants	$83,500
Federal Funds Not Specifically Identified	$83,500
State Funds	$1,167,057
State General Funds	$1,167,057

The above amounts include the following adjustments, additions, and deletions to the previous appropriations act (as amended):

	State Funds	Total Funds
Amount from previous Appropriations Act (HB 106) as amended	$1,136,759	$1,220,259
Provide funds for merit-based pay adjustments and employee recruitment and retention initiatives effective July 1, 2014.	$12,669	$12,669
Increase funds to reflect an adjustment in the employer share of the Employees' Retirement System.	$17,629	$17,629
Amount appropriated in this Act	$1,167,057	$1,250,557

39.2. Facility Protection

Purpose: The purpose of this appropriation is to enforce state and federal regulations pertaining to buried utility facility infrastructure and to promote safety through training and inspections.

Total Funds	$2,197,134
Federal Funds and Grants	$1,188,246
Federal Funds Not Specifically Identified	$1,188,246
State Funds	$1,008,888
State General Funds	$1,008,888

The above amounts include the following adjustments, additions, and deletions to the previous appropriations act (as amended):

	State Funds	Total Funds
Amount from previous Appropriations Act (HB 106) as amended	$958,627	$2,146,873

Provide funds for merit-based pay adjustments and employee recruitment and retention initiatives effective July 1, 2014.	$9,128	$9,128
Increase funds to reflect an adjustment in the employer share of the Employees' Retirement System.	$41,133	$41,133
Amount appropriated in this Act	$1,008,888	$2,197,134

39.3. Utilities Regulation

Purpose: The purpose of this appropriation is to monitor the rates and service standards of electric, natural gas, and telecommunications companies, approve supply plans for electric and natural gas companies, monitor utility system and telecommunications network planning, arbitrate complaints among competitors, provide consumer protection and education, and certify competitive natural gas and telecommunications providers.

Total Funds	$5,909,551
Federal Funds and Grants	$28,500
Federal Funds Not Specifically Identified	$28,500
State Funds	$5,881,051
State General Funds	$5,881,051

The above amounts include the following adjustments, additions, and deletions to the previous appropriations act (as amended):

	State Funds	Total Funds
Amount from previous Appropriations Act (HB 106) as amended	$5,640,102	$5,668,602
Provide funds for merit-based pay adjustments and employee recruitment and retention initiatives effective July 1, 2014.	$62,806	$62,806
Increase funds to reflect an adjustment in the employer share of the Employees' Retirement System.	$88,143	$88,143
Provide funds for one specialist for Plant Vogtle cost review oversight. *(CC:Provide funds for one specialist for Plant Vogtle cost review oversight through post-construction proceedings.)*	$90,000	$90,000
Amount appropriated in this Act	$5,881,051	$5,909,551

Section 40: Regents, University System of Georgia

Total Funds	**$6,611,815,181**
Other Funds	**$4,672,727,417**
Agency Funds	$2,563,170,298
Other Funds - Not Specifically Identified	$5,114,065
Records Center Storage Fee	$592,381
Research Funds	$2,103,850,673
State Funds	**$1,939,087,764**
State General Funds	$1,939,087,764

40.1. Agricultural Experiment Station

Purpose: The purpose of this appropriation is to improve production, processing, new product development, food safety, storage, and marketing to increase profitability and global competitiveness of Georgia's agribusiness.

Total Funds	$74,411,855
Other Funds	$37,552,919
Agency Funds	$15,552,919
Research Funds	$22,000,000
State Funds	$36,858,936
State General Funds	$36,858,936

The above amounts include the following adjustments, additions, and deletions to the previous appropriations act (as amended):

	State Funds	Total Funds
Amount from previous Appropriations Act (HB 106) as amended	$35,233,027	$72,785,946
Provide funds for merit-based pay adjustments and employee recruitment and retention initiatives effective July 1, 2014.	$236,381	$236,381
Increase funds to reflect an adjustment in the employer share of the Teachers' Retirement System from 12.28% to 13.15%.	$177,205	$177,205
Increase funds for the employer share of health insurance ($182,991) and retiree health benefits ($184,332).	$367,323	$367,323
Increase funds for a wheat breeder specialist ($180,000) and the Food Product Innovation and Commercialization (FoodPIC) Director ($67,500).	$247,500	$247,500
Provide funds for a poultry nutrition specialist ($160,000), a poultry researcher ($210,000), a beef specialist located in Tifton ($160,000), and the Food Product Innovation and Commercialization (FoodPIC) Director ($67,500). *(CC:Provide funds for a poultry nutrition specialist ($160,000), a poultry researcher ($210,000), a beef research scientist located in Tifton ($160,000), and the Food Product Innovation and Commercialization (FoodPIC) Director ($67,500).)*	$597,500	$597,500
Amount appropriated in this Act	$36,858,936	$74,411,855

40.2. Athens/Tifton Vet laboratories

Purpose: The purpose of this appropriation is to provide diagnostic services, educational outreach, and consultation for veterinarians and animal owners to ensure the safety of Georgia's food supply and the health of Georgia's production, equine, and companion animals.

Total Funds	$5,258,000
Other Funds	$5,258,000
Agency Funds	$5,000,000
Research Funds	$258,000

40.3. Cooperative Extension Service

Purpose: The purpose of this appropriation is to provide training, educational programs, and outreach to Georgians in agricultural, horticultural, food, and family and consumer sciences, and to manage the 4-H youth program for the state.

Total Funds	$55,549,017
Other Funds	$25,083,929
Agency Funds	$20,856,177
Other Funds - Not Specifically Identified	$477,752
Research Funds	$3,750,000
State Funds	$30,465,088
State General Funds	$30,465,088

The above amounts include the following adjustments, additions, and deletions to the previous appropriations act (as amended):

	State Funds	Total Funds
Amount from previous Appropriations Act (HB 106) as amended	$29,365,384	$54,449,313
Provide funds for merit-based pay adjustments and employee recruitment and retention initiatives effective July 1, 2014.	$237,813	$237,813
Increase funds to reflect an adjustment in the employer share of the Teachers' Retirement System from 12.28% to 13.15%.	$219,746	$219,746
Increase funds for the employer share of health insurance ($227,969) and retiree health benefits ($364,176).	$592,145	$592,145
Increase funds for personnel for one County Extension Agent.	$50,000	$50,000
Amount appropriated in this Act	$30,465,088	$55,549,017

40.4. Enterprise Innovation Institute

Purpose: The purpose of this appropriation is to advise Georgia manufacturers, entrepreneurs, and government officials on best business practices and technology-driven economic development, and to provide the state share to federal incentive and assistance programs for entrepreneurs and innovative businesses.

Total Funds	$17,749,703
Other Funds	$10,475,000
Agency Funds	$10,475,000
State Funds	$7,274,703
State General Funds	$7,274,703

The above amounts include the following adjustments, additions, and deletions to the previous appropriations act (as amended):

	State Funds	Total Funds
Amount from previous Appropriations Act (HB 106) as amended	$7,187,612	$17,662,612
Provide funds for merit-based pay adjustments and	$56,479	$56,479

employee recruitment and retention initiatives effective July 1, 2014.		
Increase funds to reflect an adjustment in the employer share of the Teachers' Retirement System from 12.28% to 13.15%.	$14,470	$14,470
Increase funds for the employer share of health insurance ($13,707) and retiree health benefits ($2,435).	$16,142	$16,142
Increase funds for the Invest Georgia Fund. *(CC:No)*	$0	$0
Amount appropriated in this Act	$7,274,703	$17,749,703

40.5. Forestry Cooperative Extension

Purpose: The purpose of this appropriation is to provide funding for faculty to support instruction and outreach about conservation and sustainable management of forests and other natural resources.

Total Funds	$1,078,929
Other Funds	$575,988
Other Funds - Not Specifically Identified	$100,000
Research Funds	$475,988
State Funds	$502,941
State General Funds	$502,941

The above amounts include the following adjustments, additions, and deletions to the previous appropriations act (as amended):

	State Funds	Total Funds
Amount from previous Appropriations Act (HB 106) as amended	$495,191	$1,071,179
Provide funds for merit-based pay adjustments and employee recruitment and retention initiatives effective July 1, 2014.	$3,445	$3,445
Increase funds to reflect an adjustment in the employer share of the Teachers' Retirement System from 12.28% to 13.15%.	$1,137	$1,137
Increase funds for the employer share of health insurance.	$3,168	$3,168
Amount appropriated in this Act	$502,941	$1,078,929

40.6. Forestry Research

Purpose: The purpose of this appropriation is to conduct research about economically and environmentally sound forest resources management and to assist non-industrial forest landowners and natural resources professionals in complying with state and federal regulations.

Total Funds	$12,902,173
Other Funds	$10,250,426
Agency Funds	$590,634
Other Funds - Not Specifically Identified	$659,792
Research Funds	$9,000,000
State Funds	$2,651,747
State General Funds	$2,651,747

The above amounts include the following adjustments, additions, and deletions to the previous appropriations act (as amended):		
	State Funds	Total Funds
Amount from previous Appropriations Act (HB 106) as amended	$2,562,254	$12,812,680
Provide funds for merit-based pay adjustments and employee recruitment and retention initiatives effective July 1, 2014.	$18,170	$18,170
Increase funds to reflect an adjustment in the employer share of the Teachers' Retirement System from 12.28% to 13.15%.	$12,270	$12,270
Increase funds for the employer share of health insurance ($18,469) and retiree health benefits ($40,584).	$59,053	$59,053
Amount appropriated in this Act	$2,651,747	$12,902,173

40.7. Georgia Archives

Purpose: The purpose of this appropriation is to maintain the state's archives; document and interpret the history of the Georgia State Capitol building; and assist State Agencies with adequately documenting their activities, administering their records management programs, scheduling their records, and transferring their non-current records to the State Records Center.

Total Funds	$5,316,750
Other Funds	$689,281
Other Funds - Not Specifically Identified	$96,900
Records Center Storage Fee	$592,381
State Funds	$4,627,469
State General Funds	$4,627,469

The above amounts include the following adjustments, additions, and deletions to the previous appropriations act (as amended):		
	State Funds	Total Funds
Amount from previous Appropriations Act (HB 106) as amended	$4,151,428	$4,840,709
Provide funds for merit-based pay adjustments and employee recruitment and retention initiatives effective July 1, 2014.	$10,492	$10,492
Increase funds to reflect an adjustment in the employer share of the Teachers' Retirement System from 12.28% to 13.15%.	$4,266	$4,266
Increase funds for the employer share of health insurance.	$1,283	$1,283
Increase funds to allow for the Georgia Archives to be open to the public five days per week.	$460,000	$460,000
Recognize the transfer of one-time donations held in reserve after Fiscal Year 2013 for Georgia Archives. *(CC:Transfer accomplished February 10, 2014.)*	$0	$0
Amount appropriated in this Act	$4,627,469	$5,316,750

40.8. Georgia Radiation Therapy Center

Purpose: The purpose of this appropriation is to provide care and treatment for cancer patients and to administer baccalaureate programs in Medical Dosimetry and Radiation Therapy.

Total Funds	$3,779,621
Other Funds	$3,779,621
Other Funds - Not Specifically Identified	$3,779,621

40.9. Georgia Tech Research Institute

Purpose: The purpose of this appropriation is to provide funding to laboratories and research centers affiliated with the Georgia Institute of Technology whose scientific, engineering, industrial, or policy research promotes economic development, health, and safety in Georgia.

Total Funds	$319,641,909
Other Funds	$314,011,962
Research Funds	$314,011,962
State Funds	$5,629,947
State General Funds	$5,629,947

The above amounts include the following adjustments, additions, and deletions to the previous appropriations act (as amended):

	State Funds	Total Funds
Amount from previous Appropriations Act (HB 106) as amended	$5,588,520	$319,600,482
Provide funds for merit-based pay adjustments and employee recruitment and retention initiatives effective July 1, 2014.	$27,495	$27,495
Increase funds to reflect an adjustment in the employer share of the Teachers' Retirement System from 12.28% to 13.15%.	$3,356	$3,356
Increase funds for the employer share of health insurance ($7,097) and retiree health benefits ($3,479).	$10,576	$10,576
Amount appropriated in this Act	$5,629,947	$319,641,909

40.10. Marine Institute

Purpose: The purpose of this appropriation is to support research on coastal processes involving the unique ecosystems of the Georgia coastline and to provide access and facilities for graduate and undergraduate classes to conduct field research on the Georgia coast.

Total Funds	$1,214,913
Other Funds	$486,281
Agency Funds	$118,633
Research Funds	$367,648
State Funds	$728,632
State General Funds	$728,632

The above amounts include the following adjustments, additions, and deletions to the previous appropriations act (as amended):

	State Funds	Total Funds
Amount from previous Appropriations Act (HB 106) as amended	$714,567	$1,200,848
Provide funds for merit-based pay adjustments and employee recruitment and retention initiatives effective July 1, 2014.	$4,676	$4,676
Increase funds to reflect an adjustment in the employer share of the Teachers' Retirement System from 12.28% to 13.15%.	$2,693	$2,693
Increase funds for the employer share of health insurance ($3,756) and retiree health benefits ($2,940).	$6,696	$6,696
Amount appropriated in this Act	$728,632	$1,214,913

40.11. Marine Resources Extension Center

Purpose: The purpose of this appropriation is to fund outreach, education, and research to enhance coastal environmental and economic sustainability.

Total Funds	$2,560,040
Other Funds	$1,345,529
Agency Funds	$745,529
Research Funds	$600,000
State Funds	$1,214,511
State General Funds	$1,214,511

The above amounts include the following adjustments, additions, and deletions to the previous appropriations act (as amended):

	State Funds	Total Funds
Amount from previous Appropriations Act (HB 106) as amended	$1,179,252	$2,524,781
Provide funds for merit-based pay adjustments and employee recruitment and retention initiatives effective July 1, 2014.	$9,970	$9,970
Increase funds to reflect an adjustment in the employer share of the Teachers' Retirement System from 12.28% to 13.15%.	$7,337	$7,337
Increase funds for the employer share of health insurance ($6,060) and retiree health benefits ($11,892).	$17,952	$17,952
Amount appropriated in this Act	$1,214,511	$2,560,040

40.12. Medical College of Georgia Hospital and Clinics

Purpose: The purpose of this appropriation is to provide medical education and patient care, including ambulatory, trauma, cancer, neonatal intensive, and emergency and express care.

Total Funds	$28,569,119
State Funds	$28,569,119
State General Funds	$28,569,119

The above amounts include the following adjustments, additions, and deletions to the previous appropriations act (as amended):

	State Funds	Total Funds
Amount from previous Appropriations Act (HB 106) as	$28,297,463	$28,297,463

amended		
Provide funds for merit-based pay adjustments and employee recruitment and retention initiatives effective July 1, 2014.	$271,656	$271,656
Amount appropriated in this Act	$28,569,119	$28,569,119

40.13. Public Libraries

Purpose: The purpose of this appropriation is to award grants from the Public Library Fund, promote literacy, and provide library services that facilitate access to information for all Georgians regardless of geographic location or special needs.

Total Funds	$37,532,484
Other Funds	$5,222,400
Agency Funds	$5,222,400
State Funds	$32,310,084
State General Funds	$32,310,084

The above amounts include the following adjustments, additions, and deletions to the previous appropriations act (as amended):

	State Funds	Total Funds
Amount from previous Appropriations Act (HB 106) as amended	$31,497,624	$36,720,024
Provide funds for merit-based pay adjustments and employee recruitment and retention initiatives effective July 1, 2014.	$194,660	$194,660
Increase funds to reflect an adjustment in the employer share of the Teachers' Retirement System from 12.28% to 13.15%.	$199,484	$199,484
Increase funds for the employer share of health insurance.	$312,238	$312,238
Increase funds for state grants to public libraries based on an increase in state population.	$106,078	$106,078
Delay implementation of the new fund distribution formula until Fiscal Year 2016. *(CC:Delay implementation of the new fund distribution formula until Fiscal Year 2016.)*	$0	$0
Amount appropriated in this Act	$32,310,084	$37,532,484

40.14. Public Service/Special Funding Initiatives

Purpose: The purpose of this appropriation is to fund leadership, service, and education initiatives that require funding beyond what is provided by formula.

Total Funds	$25,526,120
State Funds	$25,526,120
State General Funds	$25,526,120

The above amounts include the following adjustments, additions, and deletions to the previous appropriations act (as amended):

	State Funds	Total Funds
Amount from previous Appropriations Act (HB 106) as amended	$25,303,326	$25,303,326

Provide funds for merit-based pay adjustments and employee recruitment and retention initiatives effective July 1, 2014.	$155,643	$155,643
Increase funds for the Health Professions Initiative to address graduate medical education.	$2,000,000	$2,000,000
Increase funds for Georgia Regents University to expand the Rome clinical campus. *(CC:Transfer funds for Georgia Regents University expansion of the Rome clinical campus to the Teaching program.)*	$0	$0
Increase funds for outreach efforts in cooperation with the Technical College System of Georgia, to encourage individuals with some postsecondary education to return and complete college. *(CC:Yes)*	$0	$0
Increase funds for the Georgia Youth Science and Technology Initiative.	$150,000	$150,000
Transfer existing funds for Georgia Regents University to expand the Rome clinical campus to the Teaching Program.	($2,482,849)	($2,482,849)
Provide funds for the development of a concentrated university and technical college curriculum in Fayette County for workforce development related to the growing film, television, and digital media industries in Georgia.	$400,000	$400,000
Amount appropriated in this Act	$25,526,120	$25,526,120

40.15. Regents Central Office

Purpose: The purpose of this appropriation is to provide administrative support to institutions of the University System of Georgia and to fund membership in the Southern Regional Education Board.

Total Funds	$11,549,268
State Funds	$11,549,268
State General Funds	$11,549,268

The above amounts include the following adjustments, additions, and deletions to the previous appropriations act (as amended):

	State Funds	Total Funds
Amount from previous Appropriations Act (HB 106) as amended	$8,401,788	$8,401,788
Increase funds to reflect an adjustment in the employer share of the Employees' Retirement System.	$39,252	$39,252
Increase funds to reflect an adjustment in the employer share of the Teachers' Retirement System from 12.28% to 13.15%.	$20,927	$20,927
Increase funds to the Southern Regional Education Board to reflect FY 2015 dues and contract amounts.	$28,210	$28,210
Provide funds for merit-based pay adjustments and employee recruitment and retention initiatives effective July 1, 2014. *(CC:Provide funds for merit-based pay adjustments and employee recruitment and retention initiatives effective July 1, 2014.)*	$41,754	$41,754
Provide funds for enhancements to GALILEO.	$2,500,000	$2,500,000
Increase funds for four positions to provide E-Rate	$415,000	$415,000

training and technical assistance to public schools and libraries in Georgia.		
Increase funds for the employer share of health insurance ($11,209) and retiree health benefits ($16,128).	$27,337	$27,337
Reflect savings from changing to the Georgia Aviation Authority contract service in line with other non-law enforcement agencies. *(CC:No)*	$0	$0
Develop and report to the Georgia General Assembly on January 1, 2015 a study of consolidated purchasing for the system to leverage savings. *(CC:No)*	$0	$0
Develop and report to the Georgia General Assembly by January 1, 2015 a long-term real estate strategic plan and report on deferred maintenance costs in light of declining enrollment and increased use of online learning resources. *(CC:No)*	$0	$0
Increase funds to create a North Georgia regional master plan for education facilities.	$75,000	$75,000
Amount appropriated in this Act	$11,549,268	$11,549,268

40.16. Research Consortium

Purpose: The purpose of this appropriation is to support research and development activities at Georgia's research universities and other university-based initiatives with economic development missions and close ties to Georgia's strategic industries.

Total Funds $0

The above amounts include the following adjustments, additions, and deletions to the previous appropriations act (as amended):

	State Funds	Total Funds
Amount from previous Appropriations Act (HB 106) as amended	$6,104,447	$6,104,447
Transfer funds for Kennesaw State University to the Teaching program and fund faculty through normal formula mechanism.	($207,896)	($207,896)
Transfer funds for Georgia Institute of Technology to the Teaching program to better align activities with program purpose and state funding structure.	($5,896,551)	($5,896,551)
Eliminate the Research Consortium program. *(CC:Yes)*	$0	$0
Amount appropriated in this Act	$0	$0

40.17. Skidaway Institute of Oceanography

Purpose: The purpose of this appropriation is to fund research and educational programs regarding marine and ocean science and aquatic environments.

Total Funds	$5,190,787
Other Funds	$3,950,620
Agency Funds	$1,200,000
Research Funds	$2,750,620
State Funds	$1,240,167

State General Funds $1,240,167

The above amounts include the following adjustments, additions, and deletions to the previous appropriations act (as amended):

	State Funds	Total Funds
Amount from previous Appropriations Act (HB 106) as amended	$1,214,869	$5,165,489
Provide funds for merit-based pay adjustments and employee recruitment and retention initiatives effective July 1, 2014.	$8,098	$8,098
Increase funds to reflect an adjustment in the employer share of the Teachers' Retirement System from 12.28% to 13.15%.	$7,216	$7,216
Increase funds for the employer share of health insurance.	$9,984	$9,984
Amount appropriated in this Act	$1,240,167	$5,190,787

40.18. Teaching

Purpose: The purpose of this appropriation is to provide funds to the Board of Regents for annual allocations to University System of Georgia institutions for student instruction and to establish and operate other initiatives that promote, support, or extend student learning.

Total Funds $5,973,865,136
Other Funds $4,243,957,206
Agency Funds $2,493,320,751
Research Funds $1,750,636,455
State Funds $1,729,907,930
State General Funds $1,729,907,930

The above amounts include the following adjustments, additions, and deletions to the previous appropriations act (as amended):

	State Funds	Total Funds
Amount from previous Appropriations Act (HB 106) as amended	$1,676,074,685	$5,920,031,891
Increase funds to reflect an adjustment in the employer share of the Employees' Retirement System.	$173,877	$173,877
Increase funds to reflect an adjustment in the employer share of the Teachers' Retirement System from 12.28% to 13.15%.	$11,862,751	$11,862,751
Provide funds for recruitment and retention initiatives for University System faculty.	$10,000,000	$10,000,000
Fund activities related to Georgia's Academic and Workforce Analysis and Research Data System (GA AWARDS) through formula funds. *(CC:Yes)*	$0	$0
Transfer funds from the Research Consortium program to the Teaching program.	$6,104,447	$6,104,447
Reduce funds for Georgia Gwinnett College (GGC) to reflect year one of the plan to eliminate the GGC Special Funding Initiative over a seven year period.	($1,375,000)	($1,375,000)
Adjust the debt service payback amount for a project constructed at Georgia Southern University.	$1,014,809	$1,014,809

Increase funds to reflect the change in square footage at University System of Georgia institutions.	$9,019,889	$9,019,889
Increase funds for the employer share of health insurance ($7,414,940) and retiree health benefits ($5,574,962).	$12,989,902	$12,989,902
Provide funds for Competitive EDGE program for small business incubators.	$775,000	$775,000
Transfer existing funds for Georgia Regents University's Rome clinical campus to the Teaching Program, and increase funds ($784,721) for expansion.	$3,267,570	$3,267,570
Reduce funds to recognize published savings of the initial round of consolidations. *(CC:No)*	$0	$0
Reduce funds to reflect savings in Georgia taxpayer funds used to subsidize out-of-state students by more transparent and responsible use of discretionary out-of-state tuition waivers. *(CC:No)*	$0	$0
Develop a strategic plan for increased utilization of online educational resources and pricing structure reflective of costs associated with providing such education. *(CC:Yes)*	$0	$0
Amount appropriated in this Act	$1,729,907,930	$5,973,865,136

40.19. Veterinary Medicine Experiment Station

Purpose: The purpose of this appropriation is to coordinate and conduct research at the University of Georgia on animal disease problems of present and potential concern to Georgia's livestock and poultry industries and to provide training and education in disease research, surveillance, and intervention.

Total Funds	$2,618,043
State Funds	$2,618,043
State General Funds	$2,618,043

The above amounts include the following adjustments, additions, and deletions to the previous appropriations act (as amended):

	State Funds	Total Funds
Amount from previous Appropriations Act (HB 106) as amended	$2,569,841	$2,569,841
Provide funds for merit-based pay adjustments and employee recruitment and retention initiatives effective July 1, 2014.	$21,887	$21,887
Increase funds to reflect an adjustment in the employer share of the Teachers' Retirement System from 12.28% to 13.15%.	$9,779	$9,779
Increase funds for the employer share of health insurance ($5,604) and retiree health benefits ($10,932).	$16,536	$16,536
Amount appropriated in this Act	$2,618,043	$2,618,043

40.20. Veterinary Medicine Teaching Hospital

Purpose: The purpose of this appropriation is to provide clinical instruction for veterinary medicine students, support research that enhances the health and welfare of production and companion animals in Georgia, and address the

shortage of veterinarians in Georgia and the nation.

Total Funds	$10,481,372
Other Funds	$10,088,255
Agency Funds	$10,088,255
State Funds	$393,117
State General Funds	$393,117

The above amounts include the following adjustments, additions, and deletions to the previous appropriations act (as amended):

	State Funds	Total Funds
Amount from previous Appropriations Act (HB 106) as amended	$386,135	$10,474,390
Provide funds for merit-based pay adjustments and employee recruitment and retention initiatives effective July 1, 2014.	$1,889	$1,889
Increase funds to reflect an adjustment in the employer share of the Teachers' Retirement System from 12.28% to 13.15%.	$2,801	$2,801
Increase funds for the employer share of health insurance.	$2,292	$2,292
Amount appropriated in this Act	$393,117	$10,481,372

The following appropriations are for agencies attached for administrative purposes.

40.21. Payments to Georgia Military College

Purpose: The purpose of this appropriation is to provide quality basic education funding for grades six through twelve at Georgia Military College's Junior Military College and preparatory school.

Total Funds	$2,329,780
State Funds	$2,329,780
State General Funds	$2,329,780

The above amounts include the following adjustments, additions, and deletions to the previous appropriations act (as amended):

	State Funds	Total Funds
Amount from previous Appropriations Act (HB 106) as amended	$2,288,309	$2,288,309
Provide funds for merit-based pay adjustments and employee recruitment and retention initiatives effective July 1, 2014.	$22,883	$22,883
Increase funds to reflect an adjustment in the employer share of the Employees' Retirement System.	$3,619	$3,619
Increase funds to reflect an adjustment in the employer share of the Teachers' Retirement System from 12.28% to 13.15%.	$14,969	$14,969
Amount appropriated in this Act	$2,329,780	$2,329,780

40.22. Payments to Georgia Public Telecommunications Commission

Purpose: The purpose of this appropriation is to create, produce, and

distribute high quality programs and services that educate, inform, and entertain audiences, and enrich the quality of their lives.

Total Funds	$14,690,162
State Funds	$14,690,162
State General Funds	$14,690,162

The above amounts include the following adjustments, additions, and deletions to the previous appropriations act (as amended):

	State Funds	Total Funds
Amount from previous Appropriations Act (HB 106) as amended	$14,513,070	$14,513,070
Provide funds for merit-based pay adjustments and employee recruitment and retention initiatives effective July 1, 2014.	$45,375	$45,375
Increase funds to reflect an adjustment in the employer share of the Employees' Retirement System.	$130,340	$130,340
Increase funds to reflect an adjustment in the employer share of the Teachers' Retirement System from 12.28% to 13.15%.	$1,893	$1,893
Reflect an adjustment in TeamWorks billings.	($516)	($516)
Redirect all funds currently dedicated to economic development to the television division of Georgia Public Broadcasting to facilitate a greater reach for programming that encourages a wide variety of economic development throughout the state and beyond. *(CC:Yes)*	$0	$0
Amount appropriated in this Act	$14,690,162	$14,690,162

Section 41: Revenue, Department of

Total Funds	**$178,552,482**
Federal Funds and Grants	**$819,087**
Prevention and Treatment of Substance Abuse Block Grant (CFDA 93.959)	$251,507
Federal Funds Not Specifically Identified	$567,580
State Funds	**$177,733,395**
State General Funds	$177,299,612
Tobacco Settlement Funds	$433,783

41.1. Customer Service

Purpose: The purpose of this appropriation is to provide assistance to customer inquiries about the administration of individual income tax, sales and use tax, withholding tax, corporate tax, motor fuel and motor carrier taxes, and all registration functions.

Total Funds	$13,623,778
Federal Funds and Grants	$225,580
Federal Funds Not Specifically Identified	$225,580
State Funds	$13,398,198

State General Funds $13,398,198

The above amounts include the following adjustments, additions, and deletions to the previous appropriations act (as amended):

	State Funds	Total Funds
Amount from previous Appropriations Act (HB 106) as amended	$14,207,028	$14,432,608
Provide funds for merit-based pay adjustments and employee recruitment and retention initiatives effective July 1, 2014.	$51,048	$51,048
Increase funds to reflect an adjustment in the employer share of the Employees' Retirement System.	$140,122	$140,122
Reduce funds.	($1,000,000)	($1,000,000)
Amount appropriated in this Act	$13,398,198	$13,623,778

41.2. Departmental Administration

Purpose: The purpose of this appropriation is to administer and enforce the tax laws of the State of Georgia and provide general support services to the operating programs of the Department of Revenue.

Total Funds $7,916,507

State Funds $7,916,507

State General Funds $7,916,507

The above amounts include the following adjustments, additions, and deletions to the previous appropriations act (as amended):

	State Funds	Total Funds
Amount from previous Appropriations Act (HB 106) as amended	$7,194,033	$7,194,033
Provide funds for merit-based pay adjustments and employee recruitment and retention initiatives effective July 1, 2014.	$44,664	$44,664
Increase funds to reflect an adjustment in the employer share of the Employees' Retirement System.	$118,358	$118,358
Reflect an adjustment in TeamWorks billings.	$14,760	$14,760
Transfer funds for personal services from the Industry Regulation ($111,480) and Tax Compliance ($309,932) programs to meet projected expenditures.	$421,412	$421,412
Increase funds for personal services for one position to provide state revenue and policy analysis.	$123,280	$123,280
Amount appropriated in this Act	$7,916,507	$7,916,507

41.3. Forestland Protection Grants

Purpose: The purpose of this appropriation is to provide reimbursement for preferential assessment of qualifying conservation use forestland to counties, municipalities, and school districts pursuant to O.C.G.A. 48-5A-2, the Forestland Protection Act, created by HB 1211 and HB 1276 during the 2008 legislative session.

Total Funds $14,072,351

State Funds $14,072,351

State General Funds $14,072,351

41.4. Fraud Detection and Prevention

Purpose: The purpose of this program is to identify and prevent tax fraud and protect Georgia citizens from identity theft through the use of fraud analytical tools.

Total Funds	$1,250,000
State Funds	$1,250,000
State General Funds	$1,250,000

41.5. Industry Regulation

Purpose: The purpose of this appropriation is to provide regulation of the distribution, sale, and consumption of alcoholic beverages, tobacco products; and conduct checkpoints in areas where reports indicate the use of dyed fuels in on-road vehicles.

Total Funds	$6,314,719
Federal Funds and Grants	$371,507
Prevention and Treatment of Substance Abuse Block Grant (CFDA 93.959)	$251,507
Federal Funds Not Specifically Identified	$120,000
State Funds	$5,943,212
State General Funds	$5,509,429
Tobacco Settlement Funds	$433,783

The above amounts include the following adjustments, additions, and deletions to the previous appropriations act (as amended):

	State Funds	Total Funds
Amount from previous Appropriations Act (HB 106) as amended	$5,947,414	$6,418,917
Provide funds for merit-based pay adjustments and employee recruitment and retention initiatives effective July 1, 2014.	$32,279	$32,279
Increase funds to reflect an adjustment in the employer share of the Employees' Retirement System.	$74,999	$74,999
Reflect a change in the program purpose statement. *(CC:Yes)*	$0	$0
Transfer funds for personal services to the Departmental Administration program to meet projected expenditures.	($111,480)	($111,480)
Transfer funds from the Department of Revenue to the Department of Public Safety for the administration of the Unified Carrier Registration Agreement.	$0	($99,996)
Amount appropriated in this Act	$5,943,212	$6,314,719

41.6. Local Government Services

Purpose: The purpose of this appropriation is to assist local tax officials with the administration of state tax laws and administer the unclaimed property unit.

Total Funds	$6,184,126
State Funds	$6,184,126

State General Funds $6,184,126

The above amounts include the following adjustments, additions, and deletions to the previous appropriations act (as amended):

	State Funds	Total Funds
Amount from previous Appropriations Act (HB 106) as amended	$6,084,193	$6,084,193
Provide funds for merit-based pay adjustments and employee recruitment and retention initiatives effective July 1, 2014.	$26,943	$26,943
Increase funds to reflect an adjustment in the employer share of the Employees' Retirement System.	$72,990	$72,990
Amount appropriated in this Act	$6,184,126	$6,184,126

41.7. Local Tax Officials Retirement and FICA

Purpose: The purpose of this appropriation is to provide state retirement benefits and employer share of FICA to local tax officials.

Total Funds $12,859,059

State Funds $12,859,059

State General Funds $12,859,059

The above amounts include the following adjustments, additions, and deletions to the previous appropriations act (as amended):

	State Funds	Total Funds
Amount from previous Appropriations Act (HB 106) as amended	$11,066,592	$11,066,592
Increase funds to reflect an adjustment in the employer share of the Employees' Retirement System.	$1,614,621	$1,614,621
Provide funds for the Employees' Retirement System (ERS) for the liability on local tax officials' retirement benefits to meet projected expenditures.	$177,846	$177,846
Amount appropriated in this Act	$12,859,059	$12,859,059

41.8. Motor Vehicle Registration and Titling

Purpose: The purpose of this appropriation is to establish motor vehicle ownership by maintaining title and registration records and validate rebuilt vehicles for road-worthiness for new title issuance.

Total Funds $18,380,959

State Funds $18,380,959

State General Funds $18,380,959

The above amounts include the following adjustments, additions, and deletions to the previous appropriations act (as amended):

	State Funds	Total Funds
Amount from previous Appropriations Act (HB 106) as amended	$18,225,386	$20,716,376
Provide funds for merit-based pay adjustments and employee recruitment and retention initiatives effective July 1, 2014.	$42,237	$42,237
Increase funds to reflect an adjustment in the employer share of the Employees' Retirement System.	$113,336	$113,336

Transfer funds from the Department of Revenue to the Department of Public Safety for the administration of the Unified Carrier Registration Agreement.	$0	($2,490,990)
Amount appropriated in this Act	$18,380,959	$18,380,959

41.9. Office of Special Investigations

Purpose: The purpose of this appropriation is to investigate fraudulent taxpayer and criminal activities involving Department efforts.

Total Funds	$3,892,721
State Funds	$3,892,721
State General Funds	$3,892,721

The above amounts include the following adjustments, additions, and deletions to the previous appropriations act (as amended):

	State Funds	Total Funds
Amount from previous Appropriations Act (HB 106) as amended	$3,823,719	$3,823,719
Provide funds for merit-based pay adjustments and employee recruitment and retention initiatives effective July 1, 2014.	$18,277	$18,277
Increase funds to reflect an adjustment in the employer share of the Employees' Retirement System.	$50,725	$50,725
Reflect a change in the program purpose statement. *(CC:Yes)*	$0	$0
Amount appropriated in this Act	$3,892,721	$3,892,721

41.10. Revenue Processing

Purpose: The purpose of this appropriation is to ensure that all tax payments are received, credited, and deposited according to sound business practices and the law, and to ensure that all tax returns are reviewed and recorded to accurately update taxpayer information.

Total Funds	$13,398,047
State Funds	$13,398,047
State General Funds	$13,398,047

The above amounts include the following adjustments, additions, and deletions to the previous appropriations act (as amended):

	State Funds	Total Funds
Amount from previous Appropriations Act (HB 106) as amended	$13,261,024	$13,261,024
Provide funds for merit-based pay adjustments and employee recruitment and retention initiatives effective July 1, 2014.	$36,577	$36,577
Increase funds to reflect an adjustment in the employer share of the Employees' Retirement System.	$100,446	$100,446
Amount appropriated in this Act	$13,398,047	$13,398,047

41.11. Tax Compliance

Purpose: The purpose of this appropriation is to audit tax accounts, ensure compliance, and collect on delinquent accounts.

Total Funds	$52,885,327
Federal Funds and Grants	$222,000
Federal Funds Not Specifically Identified	$222,000
State Funds	$52,663,327
State General Funds	$52,663,327

The above amounts include the following adjustments, additions, and deletions to the previous appropriations act (as amended):

	State Funds	Total Funds
Amount from previous Appropriations Act (HB 106) as amended	$51,996,488	$52,218,488
Provide funds for merit-based pay adjustments and employee recruitment and retention initiatives effective July 1, 2014.	$262,436	$262,436
Increase funds to reflect an adjustment in the employer share of the Employees' Retirement System.	$714,335	$714,335
Transfer funds for personal services to the Departmental Administration program to meet projected expenditures.	($309,932)	($309,932)
Provide contract services with the Department of Agriculture to audit GATE program compliance. *(CC:Yes; Provide contract services with the Department of Agriculture to assure new GATE program compliance.)*	$0	$0
Amount appropriated in this Act	$52,663,327	$52,885,327

41.12. Tax Policy

Purpose: The purpose of this appropriation is to conduct all administrative appeals of tax assessments; draft regulations for taxes collected by the department; support the State Board of Equalization; and draft letter rulings and provide research and analysis related to all tax law and policy inquiries.

Total Funds	$3,064,001
State Funds	$3,064,001
State General Funds	$3,064,001

The above amounts include the following adjustments, additions, and deletions to the previous appropriations act (as amended):

	State Funds	Total Funds
Amount from previous Appropriations Act (HB 106) as amended	$3,001,861	$3,101,861
Provide funds for merit-based pay adjustments and employee recruitment and retention initiatives effective July 1, 2014.	$16,605	$16,605
Increase funds to reflect an adjustment in the employer share of the Employees' Retirement System.	$45,535	$45,535
Transfer funds from the Department of Revenue to the Department of Public Safety for the administration of the Unified Carrier Registration Agreement.	$0	($100,000)
Amount appropriated in this Act	$3,064,001	$3,064,001

41.13. Technology Support Services

Purpose: The purpose of this appropriation is to support the department in information technology and provide electronic filing services to taxpayers.

Total Funds	$24,710,887
State Funds	$24,710,887
State General Funds	$24,710,887

The above amounts include the following adjustments, additions, and deletions to the previous appropriations act (as amended):

	State Funds	Total Funds
Amount from previous Appropriations Act (HB 106) as amended	$24,379,387	$24,379,387
Provide funds for merit-based pay adjustments and employee recruitment and retention initiatives effective July 1, 2014.	$88,254	$88,254
Increase funds to reflect an adjustment in the employer share of the Employees' Retirement System.	$243,246	$243,246
Amount appropriated in this Act	$24,710,887	$24,710,887

Section 42: Secretary of State

Total Funds	**$22,987,483**
Federal Funds and Grants	**$85,000**
Federal Funds Not Specifically Identified	$85,000
Other Funds	**$1,024,512**
Other Funds - Not Specifically Identified	$1,024,512
State Funds	**$21,877,971**
State General Funds	$21,877,971

42.1. Corporations

Purpose: The purpose of this appropriation is to accept and review filings made pursuant to statutes; to issue certifications of records on file; and to provide general information to the public on all filed entities.

Total Funds	$780,026
Other Funds	$739,512
Other Funds - Not Specifically Identified	$739,512
State Funds	$40,514
State General Funds	$40,514

The above amounts include the following adjustments, additions, and deletions to the previous appropriations act (as amended):

	State Funds	Total Funds
Amount from previous Appropriations Act (HB 106) as amended	$1,266,805	$2,006,317
Provide funds for merit-based pay adjustments and employee recruitment and retention initiatives effective July 1, 2014.	$9,270	$9,270
Increase funds to reflect an adjustment in the employer	$30,842	$30,842

share of the Employees' Retirement System.		
Reflect an adjustment in TeamWorks billings.	$402	$402
Recognize $3,316,372 in reserves as of June 30, 2013 and utilize for operating expenses. *(CC:Yes)*	($1,266,805)	($1,266,805)
Amount appropriated in this Act	$40,514	$780,026

42.2. Elections

Purpose: The purpose of this appropriation is to administer all duties imposed upon the Secretary of State by providing all required filing and public information services, performing all certification and commissioning duties required by law, and assisting candidates, local governments, and citizens in interpreting and complying with all election, voter registration, and financial disclosure laws.

Total Funds	$5,361,157
Federal Funds and Grants	$85,000
Federal Funds Not Specifically Identified	$85,000
Other Funds	$50,000
Other Funds - Not Specifically Identified	$50,000
State Funds	$5,226,157
State General Funds	$5,226,157

The above amounts include the following adjustments, additions, and deletions to the previous appropriations act (as amended):

	State Funds	Total Funds
Amount from previous Appropriations Act (HB 106) as amended	$5,168,394	$5,303,394
Provide funds for merit-based pay adjustments and employee recruitment and retention initiatives effective July 1, 2014.	$12,158	$12,158
Increase funds to reflect an adjustment in the employer share of the Employees' Retirement System.	$45,308	$45,308
Reflect an adjustment in TeamWorks billings.	$297	$297
Amount appropriated in this Act	$5,226,157	$5,361,157

42.3. Office Administration

Purpose: The purpose of this appropriation is to provide administrative support to the Office of Secretary of State and its attached agencies.

Total Funds	$5,995,705
Other Funds	$15,000
Other Funds - Not Specifically Identified	$15,000
State Funds	$5,980,705
State General Funds	$5,980,705

The above amounts include the following adjustments, additions, and deletions to the previous appropriations act (as amended):

	State Funds	Total Funds
Amount from previous Appropriations Act (HB 106) as amended	$5,856,691	$5,871,691

Provide funds for merit-based pay adjustments and employee recruitment and retention initiatives effective July 1, 2014.	$40,939	$40,939
Increase funds to reflect an adjustment in the employer share of the Employees' Retirement System.	$131,654	$131,654
Reflect an adjustment in TeamWorks billings.	$1,421	$1,421
Utilize $261,490 in existing reserves as of June 30, 2014 for operating expenses and transfer $23,515 in prior year reserved donations to Georgia Archives. *(CC:Reduce funds.)*	($50,000)	($50,000)
Amount appropriated in this Act	$5,980,705	$5,995,705

42.4. Professional Licensing Boards

Purpose: The purpose of this appropriation is to protect the public health and welfare by supporting all operations of Boards which license professions.

Total Funds	$6,968,847
Other Funds	$150,000
Other Funds - Not Specifically Identified	$150,000
State Funds	$6,818,847
State General Funds	$6,818,847

The above amounts include the following adjustments, additions, and deletions to the previous appropriations act (as amended):

	State Funds	Total Funds
Amount from previous Appropriations Act (HB 106) as amended	$7,192,564	$7,342,564
Provide funds for merit-based pay adjustments and employee recruitment and retention initiatives effective July 1, 2014.	$39,666	$39,666
Increase funds to reflect an adjustment in the employer share of the Employees' Retirement System.	$117,141	$117,141
Reflect an adjustment in TeamWorks billings.	$1,391	$1,391
Recognize $1,095,192 in reserves as of June 30, 2013 and utilize to fill authorized positions and begin implementation of HB 315 (2013 Session). *(CC:Yes)*	($593,746)	($593,746)
Provide funds for board operations.	$61,831	$61,831
Amount appropriated in this Act	$6,818,847	$6,968,847

42.5. Securities

Purpose: The purpose of this appropriation is to provide for the administration and enforcement of the Georgia Securities Act, the Georgia Charitable Solicitations Act, and the Georgia Cemetery Act. Functions under each act include registration, examinations, investigation, and administrative enforcement actions.

Total Funds	$654,458
Other Funds	$50,000
Other Funds - Not Specifically Identified	$50,000
State Funds	$604,458
State General Funds	$604,458

The above amounts include the following adjustments, additions, and deletions to the previous appropriations act (as amended):		
	State Funds	Total Funds
Amount from previous Appropriations Act (HB 106) as amended	$769,185	$819,185
Provide funds for merit-based pay adjustments and employee recruitment and retention initiatives effective July 1, 2014.	$5,501	$5,501
Increase funds to reflect an adjustment in the employer share of the Employees' Retirement System.	$15,302	$15,302
Reflect an adjustment in TeamWorks billings.	$209	$209
Utilize existing reserves for operating expenses. *(CC:Yes)*	($185,739)	($185,739)
Amount appropriated in this Act	$604,458	$654,458

The following appropriations are for agencies attached for administrative purposes.

42.6. Georgia Commission on the Holocaust

Purpose: The purpose of this appropriation is to teach the lessons of the Holocaust to present and future generations of Georgians in order to create an awareness of the enormity of the crimes of prejudice and inhumanity.

Total Funds	$278,600
Other Funds	$20,000
Other Funds - Not Specifically Identified	$20,000
State Funds	$258,600
State General Funds	$258,600

The above amounts include the following adjustments, additions, and deletions to the previous appropriations act (as amended):		
	State Funds	Total Funds
Amount from previous Appropriations Act (HB 106) as amended	$250,728	$270,728
Provide funds for merit-based pay adjustments and employee recruitment and retention initiatives effective July 1, 2014.	$2,084	$2,084
Increase funds to reflect an adjustment in the employer share of the Employees' Retirement System.	$5,788	$5,788
Amount appropriated in this Act	$258,600	$278,600

42.7. Real Estate Commission

Purpose: The purpose of this appropriation is to administer the license law for real estate brokers and salespersons, and provide administrative support to the Georgia Real Estate Appraisers Board in their administration of the Real Estate Appraisal.

Total Funds	$2,948,690
State Funds	$2,948,690
State General Funds	$2,948,690

The above amounts include the following adjustments, additions, and deletions to the previous appropriations act (as amended):		
	State Funds	Total Funds
Amount from previous Appropriations Act (HB 106) as amended	$2,889,036	$2,889,036
Provide funds for merit-based pay adjustments and employee recruitment and retention initiatives effective July 1, 2014.	$16,036	$16,036
Increase funds to reflect an adjustment in the employer share of the Employees' Retirement System.	$43,618	$43,618
Amount appropriated in this Act	$2,948,690	$2,948,690

Section 43: Soil and Water Conservation Commission

Total Funds	**$4,414,556**
Federal Funds and Grants	**$509,861**
Federal Funds Not Specifically Identified	$509,861
Other Funds	**$837,715**
Other Funds - Not Specifically Identified	$837,715
State Funds	**$2,620,072**
State General Funds	$2,620,072
Intra-State Government Transfers	**$446,908**
Other Intra-State Government Payments	$446,908

43.1. Commission Administration

Purpose: The purpose of this appropriation is to protect, conserve, and improve the soil and water resources of the State of Georgia.

Total Funds	$724,705
State Funds	$724,705
State General Funds	$724,705

The above amounts include the following adjustments, additions, and deletions to the previous appropriations act (as amended):		
	State Funds	Total Funds
Amount from previous Appropriations Act (HB 106) as amended	$756,103	$756,103
Provide funds for merit-based pay adjustments and employee recruitment and retention initiatives effective July 1, 2014.	$4,660	$4,660
Increase funds to reflect an adjustment in the employer share of the Employees' Retirement System.	$12,650	$12,650
Reflect an adjustment in TeamWorks billings.	$1,292	$1,292
Transfer remaining funds and one position to the Department of Agriculture to consolidate soil and water conservation activities. *(CC:No)*	$0	$0
Eliminate two vacant and five filled positions. *(CC:No)*	$0	$0
Eliminate funds for personnel for one position. *(CC:Reduce funds.)*	($50,000)	($50,000)

Amount appropriated in this Act	$724,705	$724,705

43.2. Conservation of Agricultural Water Supplies

Purpose: The purpose of this appropriation is to conserve ground and surface water in Georgia by increasing the uniformity and efficiency of agricultural water irrigation systems, by installing meters on sites with permits for agricultural use to obtain data on agricultural water usage, and by administering the use of federal funds to construct and renovate agricultural water catchments.

Total Funds	$1,319,707
Federal Funds and Grants	$241,784
Federal Funds Not Specifically Identified	$241,784
Other Funds	$837,715
Other Funds - Not Specifically Identified	$837,715
State Funds	$240,208
State General Funds	$240,208

The above amounts include the following adjustments, additions, and deletions to the previous appropriations act (as amended):

	State Funds	Total Funds
Amount from previous Appropriations Act (HB 106) as amended	$235,272	$1,314,771
Provide funds for merit-based pay adjustments and employee recruitment and retention initiatives effective July 1, 2014.	$1,298	$1,298
Increase funds to reflect an adjustment in the employer share of the Employees' Retirement System.	$3,638	$3,638
Transfer funds and six positions to the Department of Agriculture to consolidate soil and water conservation activities. *(CC:No)*	$0	$0
Reduce funds for operations. *(CC:No)*	$0	$0
Amount appropriated in this Act	$240,208	$1,319,707

43.3. Conservation of Soil and Water Resources

Purpose: The purpose of this appropriation is to conserve Georgia's rural and urban natural resources by providing grants to encourage the reduction of erosion and other non-point source pollution from agricultural lands, by providing technical assistance teaching best management practices on erosion and sedimentation control to landowners and local governments, by certifying erosion and sedimentation control personnel, and by reviewing and approving erosion and sedimentation control plans for soil and water conservation districts.

Total Funds	$2,137,922
Federal Funds and Grants	$268,077
Federal Funds Not Specifically Identified	$268,077
State Funds	$1,422,937
State General Funds	$1,422,937

Intra-State Government Transfers	$446,908
Other Intra-State Government Payments	$446,908

The above amounts include the following adjustments, additions, and deletions to the previous appropriations act (as amended):

	State Funds	Total Funds
Amount from previous Appropriations Act (HB 106) as amended	$1,390,739	$2,105,724
Provide funds for merit-based pay adjustments and employee recruitment and retention initiatives effective July 1, 2014.	$8,784	$8,784
Increase funds to reflect an adjustment in the employer share of the Employees' Retirement System.	$23,414	$23,414
Transfer remaining funds and 21 positions to the Department of Agriculture to consolidate soil and water conservation activities. *(CC:No)*	$0	$0
Eliminate 10 vacant and two filled positions. *(CC:No)*	$0	$0
Reduce funds for operations. *(CC:No)*	$0	$0
Amount appropriated in this Act	$1,422,937	$2,137,922

43.4. U.S.D.A. Flood Control Watershed Structures

Purpose: The purpose of this appropriation is to inspect, maintain and provide assistance to owners of USDA flood control structures so that they comply with the state Safe Dams Act.

Total Funds	$98,502
State Funds	$98,502
State General Funds	$98,502

The above amounts include the following adjustments, additions, and deletions to the previous appropriations act (as amended):

	State Funds	Total Funds
Amount from previous Appropriations Act (HB 106) as amended	$98,502	$98,502
Transfer funds to the Department of Agriculture to consolidate soil and water conservation activities. *(CC:No)*	$0	$0
Reduce funds for operations. *(CC:No)*	$0	$0
Amount appropriated in this Act	$98,502	$98,502

43.5. Water Resources and Land Use Planning

Purpose: The purpose of this appropriation is to provide funds for planning and research on water management, erosion and sedimentation control.

Total Funds	$133,720
State Funds	$133,720
State General Funds	$133,720

The above amounts include the following adjustments, additions, and deletions to the previous appropriations act (as amended):

	State Funds	Total Funds
Amount from previous Appropriations Act (HB 106) as amended	$131,920	$131,920

Provide funds for merit-based pay adjustments and employee recruitment and retention initiatives effective July 1, 2014.	$482	$482
Increase funds to reflect an adjustment in the employer share of the Employees' Retirement System.	$1,318	$1,318
Transfer funds to the Department of Agriculture to consolidate soil and water conservation activities. *(CC:No)*	$0	$0
Reduce funds for operations. *(CC:No)*	$0	$0
Amount appropriated in this Act	$133,720	$133,720

Section 44: Student Finance Commission, Georgia

Total Funds	**$683,220,123**
Other Funds	**$713,673**
Other Funds - Not Specifically Identified	$713,673
State Funds	**$682,506,450**
Lottery Funds	$633,648,020
State General Funds	$48,858,430

44.1. Accel

Purpose: The purpose of this appropriation is to allow students to pursue postsecondary study at approved public and private postsecondary institutions, while receiving dual high school and college credit for courses successfully completed.

Total Funds	$10,501,645
State Funds	$10,501,645
State General Funds	$10,501,645

The above amounts include the following adjustments, additions, and deletions to the previous appropriations act (as amended):

	State Funds	Total Funds
Amount from previous Appropriations Act (HB 106) as amended	$8,550,000	$8,550,000
Increase funds to meet the projected need.	$1,951,645	$1,951,645
Amount appropriated in this Act	$10,501,645	$10,501,645

44.2. Engineer Scholarship

Purpose: The purpose of this appropriation is to provide forgivable loans to Georgia residents who are engineering students at Mercer University (Macon campus), and retain those students as engineers in the State.

Total Funds	$785,250
State Funds	$785,250
State General Funds	$785,250

The above amounts include the following adjustments, additions, and deletions to the previous appropriations act (as amended):

	State Funds	Total Funds
Amount from previous Appropriations Act (HB 106) as amended	$701,750	$701,750
Increase funds for projected need.	$83,500	$83,500
Amount appropriated in this Act	$785,250	$785,250

44.3. Georgia Military College Scholarship

Purpose: The purpose of this appropriation is to provide outstanding students with a full scholarship to attend Georgia Military College, thereby strengthening Georgia's National Guard with their membership.

Total Funds	$1,094,862
State Funds	$1,094,862
State General Funds	$1,094,862

44.4. HERO Scholarship

Purpose: The purpose of this appropriation is to provide educational grant assistance to members of the Georgia National Guard and U.S. Military Reservists who served in combat zones and the spouses and children of such members.

Total Funds	$800,000
State Funds	$800,000
State General Funds	$800,000

44.5. HOPE Administration

Purpose: The purpose of this appropriation is to provide scholarships that reward students with financial assistance in degree, diploma, and certificate programs at eligible Georgia public and private colleges and universities, and public technical colleges.

Total Funds	$8,374,069
Other Funds	$230,950
Other Funds - Not Specifically Identified	$230,950
State Funds	$8,143,119
Lottery Funds	$8,143,119

The above amounts include the following adjustments, additions, and deletions to the previous appropriations act (as amended):

	State Funds	Total Funds
Amount from previous Appropriations Act (HB 106) as amended	$7,958,844	$8,189,794
Provide funds for merit-based pay adjustments and employee recruitment and retention initiatives effective July 1, 2014.	$44,193	$44,193
Increase funds to reflect an adjustment in the employer share of the Employees' Retirement System.	$63,328	$63,328
Increase funds to reflect an adjustment in the employer share of the Teachers' Retirement System from 12.28% to 13.15%.	$1,009	$1,009

Increase funds for one Educational Policy Analyst and associated costs for Georgia's Academic and Workforce Analysis and Research Data System (GA AWARDS).	$75,745	$75,745
Amount appropriated in this Act	$8,143,119	$8,374,069

44.6. HOPE GED

Purpose: The purpose of this appropriation is to award a $500 voucher once to each student receiving a General Educational Development (GED) diploma awarded by the Technical College System of Georgia.

Total Funds	$1,930,296
State Funds	$1,930,296
Lottery Funds	$1,930,296

44.7. HOPE Grant

Purpose: The purpose of this appropriation is to provide grants to students seeking a diploma or certificate at a public post-secondary institution.

Total Funds	$109,059,989
State Funds	$109,059,989
Lottery Funds	$109,059,989

The above amounts include the following adjustments, additions, and deletions to the previous appropriations act (as amended):

	State Funds	Total Funds
Amount from previous Appropriations Act (HB 106) as amended	$96,793,442	$96,793,442
Increase the HOPE Grant award amount by 3% (103% Factor Rate). *(CC:Yes)*	$0	$0
Increase funds for the Strategic Industries Workforce Development Grant.	$5,000,000	$5,000,000
Establish the Zell Miller Grant to provide full tuition assistance for technical college students maintaining a 3.5 or higher grade point average.	$7,266,547	$7,266,547
Amount appropriated in this Act	$109,059,989	$109,059,989

44.8. HOPE Scholarships - Private Schools

Purpose: The purpose of this appropriation is to provide merit scholarships to students seeking an associate or baccalaureate degree at an eligible private postsecondary institution.

Total Funds	$47,916,330
State Funds	$47,916,330
Lottery Funds	$47,916,330

The above amounts include the following adjustments, additions, and deletions to the previous appropriations act (as amended):

	State Funds	Total Funds
Amount from previous Appropriations Act (HB 106) as amended	$47,617,925	$47,617,925
Increase the award amount for HOPE Scholarships - Private Schools by 3% (103% Factor Rate). *(CC:Yes)*	$0	$0

Increase the award amount by 5.5% for Zell Miller Scholarships for students attending private postsecondary institutions to meet the total projected need of $746,248.	$298,405	$298,405
Amount appropriated in this Act	$47,916,330	$47,916,330

44.9. HOPE Scholarships - Public Schools

Purpose: The purpose of this appropriation is to provide merit scholarships to students seeking an associate or baccalaureate degree at an eligible public postsecondary institution.

Total Funds	$446,598,286
State Funds	$446,598,286
Lottery Funds	$446,598,286

The above amounts include the following adjustments, additions, and deletions to the previous appropriations act (as amended):

	State Funds	Total Funds
Amount from previous Appropriations Act (HB 106) as amended	$424,345,076	$424,345,076
Increase the award amount for HOPE Scholarships - Public Schools by 3% and increase funds to meet the projected need (103% Factor Rate).	$9,436,956	$9,436,956
Increase funds for Zell Miller Scholarships for students attending public postsecondary institutions to meet the total projected need of $32,278,579.	$12,816,254	$12,816,254
Amount appropriated in this Act	$446,598,286	$446,598,286

44.10. Low Interest Loans

Purpose: The purpose of this appropriation is to implement a low-interest loan program to assist with the affordability of a college education, encourage timely persistence to the achievement of postsecondary credentials, and to incentivize loan recipients to work in public service. The loans are forgivable for recipients who work in certain critical need occupations. The purpose of this appropriation is also to provide loans for students eligible under O.C.G.A. 20-3-400.2(e.1).

Total Funds	$19,000,000
State Funds	$19,000,000
Lottery Funds	$19,000,000

The above amounts include the following adjustments, additions, and deletions to the previous appropriations act (as amended):

	State Funds	Total Funds
Amount from previous Appropriations Act (HB 106) as amended	$20,000,000	$20,000,000
Adjust funds based on projected expenditures and anticipated revenue.	($1,000,000)	($1,000,000)
Amount appropriated in this Act	$19,000,000	$19,000,000

44.11. Low Interest Loans for Technical Colleges

Purpose: The purpose of this appropriation is to assist students with the affordability of a technical college education.

Total Funds	$10,000,000
State Funds	$10,000,000
Lottery Funds	$1,000,000
State General Funds	$9,000,000

The above amounts include the following adjustments, additions, and deletions to the previous appropriations act (as amended):

	State Funds	Total Funds
Amount from previous Appropriations Act (HB 106) as amended	$0	$0
Provide funds for Low Interest Loans for Technical Colleges.	$10,000,000	$10,000,000
Replace funds. *(CC:Yes)*	$0	$0
Amount appropriated in this Act	$10,000,000	$10,000,000

44.12. North Ga. Military Scholarship Grants

Purpose: The purpose of this appropriation is to provide outstanding students with a full scholarship to attend North Georgia College and State University, thereby strengthening Georgia's Army National Guard with their membership.

Total Funds	$2,000,000
Other Funds	$482,723
Other Funds - Not Specifically Identified	$482,723
State Funds	$1,517,277
State General Funds	$1,517,277

The above amounts include the following adjustments, additions, and deletions to the previous appropriations act (as amended):

	State Funds	Total Funds
Amount from previous Appropriations Act (HB 106) as amended	$1,444,576	$1,927,299
Increase funds to meet the projected need.	$72,701	$72,701
Amount appropriated in this Act	$1,517,277	$2,000,000

44.13. North Georgia ROTC Grants

Purpose: The purpose of this appropriation is to provide Georgia residents with non-repayable financial assistance to attend North Georgia College and State University and to participate in the Reserve Officers Training Corps program.

Total Funds	$875,000
State Funds	$875,000
State General Funds	$875,000

44.14. Public Memorial Safety Grant

Purpose: The purpose of this appropriation is to provide educational grant

assistance to the children of Georgia law enforcement officers, fire fighters, EMTs, correctional officers, and prison guards who were permanently disabled or killed in the line of duty, to attend a public postsecondary institution in the State of Georgia.

Total Funds	$376,761
State Funds	$376,761
State General Funds	$376,761

44.15. REACH Georgia Scholarship

Purpose: The purpose of this appropriation is to provide needs-based scholarships to selected students participating in the REACH Georgia mentorship and scholarship program, which encourages and supports academically promising middle and high school students in their educational pursuits.

Total Funds	$2,000,000
State Funds	$2,000,000
State General Funds	$2,000,000

The above amounts include the following adjustments, additions, and deletions to the previous appropriations act (as amended):

	State Funds	Total Funds
Amount from previous Appropriations Act (HB 106) as amended	$0	$0
Provide funds for REACH Georgia scholarship.	$2,000,000	$2,000,000
Amount appropriated in this Act	$2,000,000	$2,000,000

44.16. Tuition Equalization Grants

Purpose: The purpose of this appropriation is to promote the private segment of higher education in Georgia by providing non-repayable grant aid to Georgia residents who attend eligible private postsecondary institutions.

Total Funds	$21,119,952
State Funds	$21,119,952
State General Funds	$21,119,952

The following appropriations are for agencies attached for administrative purposes.

44.17. Nonpublic Postsecondary Education Commission

Purpose: The purpose of this appropriation is to authorize private postsecondary schools in Georgia; provide transcripts for students who attended schools that closed; and resolve complaints.

Total Funds	$787,683
State Funds	$787,683
State General Funds	$787,683

The above amounts include the following adjustments, additions, and deletions to the previous appropriations act (as amended):

	State Funds	Total Funds
Amount from previous Appropriations Act (HB 106) as amended	$767,988	$767,988
Provide funds for merit-based pay adjustments and employee recruitment and retention initiatives effective July 1, 2014.	$5,364	$5,364
Increase funds to reflect an adjustment in the employer share of the Employees' Retirement System.	$13,842	$13,842
Increase funds to reflect an adjustment in the employer share of the Teachers' Retirement System from 12.28% to 13.15%.	$489	$489
Amount appropriated in this Act	$787,683	$787,683

Section 45: Teachers' Retirement System

Total Funds	**$33,418,925**
State Funds	**$412,000**
State General Funds	$412,000
Intra-State Government Transfers	**$33,006,925**
Retirement Payments	$33,006,925

It is the intent of the General Assembly that the employer contribution rate for the Teachers' Retirement System shall not exceed 13.15% for State Fiscal Year 2015.

45.1. Local/Floor COLA

Purpose: The purpose of this appropriation is to provide retirees from local retirement systems a minimum allowance upon retirement (Floor) and a post-retirement benefit adjustment (COLA) whenever such adjustment is granted to teachers who retired under TRS.

Total Funds	$412,000
State Funds	$412,000
State General Funds	$412,000

The above amounts include the following adjustments, additions, and deletions to the previous appropriations act (as amended):

	State Funds	Total Funds
Amount from previous Appropriations Act (HB 106) as amended	$513,000	$513,000
Reduce funds due to the declining population of teachers who qualify for this benefit.	($101,000)	($101,000)
Amount appropriated in this Act	$412,000	$412,000

45.2. System Administration

Purpose: The purpose of this appropriation is to administer the Teachers Retirement System of Georgia, including paying retiree benefits, investing retirement funds, accounting for the status and contributions of active and inactive members, counseling members, and processing refunds.

Total Funds	$33,006,925
Intra-State Government Transfers	$33,006,925
Retirement Payments	$33,006,925

The above amounts include the following adjustments, additions, and deletions to the previous appropriations act (as amended):

	State Funds	Total Funds
Amount from previous Appropriations Act (HB 106) as amended	$0	$32,044,844
Increase other funds for equipment.	$0	$372,100
Reduce other funds for contractual services.	$0	($24,400)
Increase other funds to reflect an adjustment in the employer rate for the Employees' Retirement System.	$0	$614,381
Amount appropriated in this Act	$0	$33,006,925

Section 46: Technical College System of Georgia

Total Funds	**$732,941,413**
Federal Funds and Grants	**$64,520,708**
Federal Funds Not Specifically Identified	$64,520,708
Federal Recovery Funds	**$595,084**
Federal Recovery Funds Not Specifically Identified	$595,084
Other Funds	**$334,610,717**
Agency Funds	$334,513,947
Other Funds - Not Specifically Identified	$96,770
State Funds	**$331,854,904**
State General Funds	$331,854,904
Intra-State Government Transfers	**$1,360,000**
Other Intra-State Government Payments	$1,360,000

46.1. Adult Education

Purpose: The purpose of this appropriation is to develop Georgia's workforce by providing adult learners in Georgia with basic reading, writing, computation, speaking, listening, and technology skills; to provide secondary instruction to adults without a high school diploma; and to provide oversight of GED preparation, testing, and the processing of diplomas and transcripts.

Total Funds	$39,182,675
Federal Funds and Grants	$19,390,824
Federal Funds Not Specifically Identified	$19,390,824
Other Funds	$5,480,000
Agency Funds	$5,480,000
State Funds	$14,311,851
State General Funds	$14,311,851

The above amounts include the following adjustments, additions, and deletions to the previous appropriations act (as amended):

	State Funds	Total Funds
Amount from previous Appropriations Act (HB 106) as amended	$13,172,053	$38,042,877
Provide funds for merit-based pay adjustments and employee recruitment and retention initiatives effective July 1, 2014.	$116,629	$116,629
Increase funds to reflect an adjustment in the employer share of the Employees' Retirement System.	$78,236	$78,236
Increase funds to reflect an adjustment in the employer share of the Teachers' Retirement System from 12.28% to 13.15%.	$38,468	$38,468
Reflect a change in the program name. *(CC:Yes)*	$0	$0
Reflect a change in the program purpose statement. *(CC:Yes)*	$0	$0
Increase funds for 15 positions to address full-time faculty ratios at TCSG institutions.	$906,465	$906,465
Amount appropriated in this Act	$14,311,851	$39,182,675

46.2. Departmental Administration

Purpose: The purpose of this appropriation is to provide statewide administrative services to support the state workforce development efforts undertaken by the department through its associated programs and institutions.

Total Funds	$9,283,175
Federal Recovery Funds	$595,084
Federal Recovery Funds Not Specifically Identified	$595,084
Other Funds	$100,000
Agency Funds	$100,000
State Funds	$8,478,091
State General Funds	$8,478,091
Intra-State Government Transfers	$110,000
Other Intra-State Government Payments	$110,000

The above amounts include the following adjustments, additions, and deletions to the previous appropriations act (as amended):

	State Funds	Total Funds
Amount from previous Appropriations Act (HB 106) as amended	$7,847,632	$8,652,716
Provide funds for merit-based pay adjustments and employee recruitment and retention initiatives effective July 1, 2014.	$68,532	$68,532
Increase funds to reflect an adjustment in the employer share of the Employees' Retirement System.	$122,661	$122,661
Increase funds to reflect an adjustment in the employer share of the Teachers' Retirement System from 12.28% to 13.15%.	$8,257	$8,257
Reflect an adjustment in TeamWorks billings.	($631)	($631)
Increase state funds to continue work on Georgia's Academic and Workforce Analysis and Research Data System (GA AWARDS).	$431,640	$431,640

Amount appropriated in this Act	$8,478,091	$9,283,175

46.3. Quick Start and Customized Services

Purpose: The purpose of this appropriation is to promote job creation and retention by developing and delivering customized workforce training for Georgia businesses during start-up, expansion, or when they make capital investments in new technology, processes, or product lines in order to remain competitive in the global marketplace.

Total Funds	$22,773,082
Federal Funds and Grants	$130,884
Federal Funds Not Specifically Identified	$130,884
Other Funds	$9,799,116
Agency Funds	$9,799,116
State Funds	$12,843,082
State General Funds	$12,843,082

The above amounts include the following adjustments, additions, and deletions to the previous appropriations act (as amended):

	State Funds	Total Funds
Amount from previous Appropriations Act (HB 106) as amended	$12,678,077	$22,608,077
Provide funds for merit-based pay adjustments and employee recruitment and retention initiatives effective July 1, 2014.	$72,437	$72,437
Increase funds to reflect an adjustment in the employer share of the Employees' Retirement System.	$71,654	$71,654
Increase funds to reflect an adjustment in the employer share of the Teachers' Retirement System from 12.28% to 13.15%.	$20,998	$20,998
Reflect an adjustment in TeamWorks billings.	($84)	($84)
Amount appropriated in this Act	$12,843,082	$22,773,082

46.4. Technical Education

Purpose: The purpose of this appropriation is to provide for workforce development through certificate, diploma, and degree programs in technical education and continuing education programs for adult learners, and to encourage both youth and adult learners to acquire postsecondary education or training to increase their competitiveness in the workplace.

Total Funds	$661,702,481
Federal Funds and Grants	$44,999,000
Federal Funds Not Specifically Identified	$44,999,000
Other Funds	$319,231,601
Agency Funds	$319,134,831
Other Funds - Not Specifically Identified	$96,770
State Funds	$296,221,880
State General Funds	$296,221,880
Intra-State Government Transfers	$1,250,000

Other Intra-State Government Payments	$1,250,000

The above amounts include the following adjustments, additions, and deletions to the previous appropriations act (as amended):

	State Funds	Total Funds
Amount from previous Appropriations Act (HB 106) as amended	$280,168,941	$645,649,542
Provide funds for merit-based pay adjustments and employee recruitment and retention initiatives effective July 1, 2014.	$2,840,847	$2,840,847
Increase funds to reflect an adjustment in the employer share of the Employees' Retirement System.	$2,006,940	$2,006,940
Increase funds to reflect an adjustment in the employer share of the Teachers' Retirement System from 12.28% to 13.15%.	$960,996	$960,996
Reflect an adjustment in TeamWorks billings.	($13,987)	($13,987)
Provide funding for personal services and operating expenses for precision manufacturing designation at Savannah Technical College.	$500,000	$500,000
Increase funds to provide books to dually enrolled students. *(CC:No)*	$0	$0
Increase funds for 25 positions and data infrastructure enhancements for a Complete College Georgia student support system.	$2,590,000	$2,590,000
Provide funding for formula growth based on a 2.9% increase in square footage.	$4,518,143	$4,518,143
Provide funds for soft skills employability training at Career Academies. *(CC:Increase funds to develop replicable pilot programs for College and Career Academies or other dual enrollment high school students that will establish a soft skills employability training program and a career aptitude testing program that will assist high school students in post-secondary and career decisions.)*	$500,000	$500,000
Increase funds for outreach efforts in cooperation with the University System of Georgia to encourage individuals with some postsecondary education to return and complete college. *(CC:No)*	$0	$0
Increase funds for instruction.	$2,150,000	$2,150,000
Amount appropriated in this Act	$296,221,880	$661,702,481

Section 47: Transportation, Department of

Total Funds	**$2,081,088,281**
Federal Funds and Grants	**$1,210,491,192**
Federal Highway Administration Highway Planning and Construction (CFDA 20.205)	$1,143,629,823
Federal Funds Not Specifically Identified	$66,861,369
Other Funds	**$5,730,658**
Agency Funds	$5,724,308
Other Funds - Not Specifically Identified	$6,350

State Funds	**$864,106,198**
Motor Fuel Funds	$849,077,721
State General Funds	$15,028,477
Intra-State Government Transfers	**$760,233**
Other Intra-State Government Payments	$760,233

It is the intent of this General Assembly that the following provisions apply:
a.) In order to meet the requirements for projects on the Interstate System, the Office of Planning and Budget is hereby authorized and directed to give advanced budgetary authorization for letting and execution of Interstate Highway Contracts not to exceed the amount of Motor Fuel Tax Revenues actually paid into the Office of the State Treasurer, attached agency of the Department of Administrative Services.
b.) Programs financed by Motor Fuel Tax Funds may be adjusted for additional appropriation or balances brought forward from previous years with prior approval by the Office of Planning and Budget.
c.) The Fiscal Officers of the State are hereby directed as of July 1st of each fiscal year to determine the collection of Motor Fuel Tax in the immediately preceding year less refunds, rebates and collection costs and enter this amount as being the appropriation payable in lieu of the Motor Fuel Tax Funds appropriated in this Bill, in the event such collections, less refunds, rebates and collection costs, exceed such Motor Fuel Tax Appropriation.
d.) Functions financed with General Fund appropriations shall be accounted for separately and shall be in addition to appropriations of Motor Fuel Tax revenues required under Article III, Section IX, Paragraph VI, Subsection (b) of the State Constitution.
e.) Bus rental income may be retained to operate, maintain and upgrade department-owned buses.

47.1. Capital Construction Projects

Purpose: The purpose of this appropriation is to provide funding for capital outlay road construction and enhancement projects on local and state road systems.

Total Funds	$888,646,175
Federal Funds and Grants	$675,252,699
Federal Highway Administration Highway Planning and Construction (CFDA 20.205)	$675,252,699
State Funds	$213,393,476
Motor Fuel Funds	$213,393,476

47.2. Capital Maintenance Projects

Purpose: The purpose of this appropriation is to provide funding for capital outlay for maintenance projects.

Total Funds	$188,778,535
Federal Funds and Grants	$128,218,385

Federal Highway Administration Highway Planning and Construction (CFDA 20.205)	$128,218,385
State Funds	$60,560,150
Motor Fuel Funds	$60,560,150

47.3. Construction Administration

Purpose: The purpose of this appropriation is to improve and expand the state's transportation infrastructure by planning for and selecting road and bridge projects, acquiring rights-of-way, completing engineering and project impact analyses, procuring and monitoring construction contracts, and certifying completed projects.

Total Funds	$150,373,809
Federal Funds and Grants	$68,642,990
Federal Highway Administration Highway Planning and Construction (CFDA 20.205)	$68,642,990
State Funds	$81,565,819
Motor Fuel Funds	$81,565,819
Intra-State Government Transfers	$165,000
Other Intra-State Government Payments	$165,000

The above amounts include the following adjustments, additions, and deletions to the previous appropriations act (as amended):

	State Funds	Total Funds
Amount from previous Appropriations Act (HB 106) as amended	$79,507,484	$144,565,474
Provide funds for merit-based pay adjustments and employee recruitment and retention initiatives effective July 1, 2014.	$558,335	$558,335
Transfer 19 filled positions from the Local Road Assistance Administration program.	$1,500,000	$5,250,000
Amount appropriated in this Act	$81,565,819	$150,373,809

47.4. Data Collection, Compliance and Reporting

Purpose: The purpose of this appropriation is to collect and disseminate crash, accident, road, and traffic data in accordance with state and federal law in order to provide current and accurate information for planning and public awareness needs.

Total Funds	$11,147,574
Federal Funds and Grants	$8,270,257
Federal Highway Administration Highway Planning and Construction (CFDA 20.205)	$8,270,257
Other Funds	$62,257
Agency Funds	$62,257
State Funds	$2,815,060
Motor Fuel Funds	$2,815,060

The above amounts include the following adjustments, additions, and deletions to the previous appropriations act (as amended):		
	State Funds	Total Funds
Amount from previous Appropriations Act (HB 106) as amended	$2,804,774	$11,137,288
Provide funds for merit-based pay adjustments and employee recruitment and retention initiatives effective July 1, 2014.	$10,286	$10,286
Amount appropriated in this Act	$2,815,060	$11,147,574

47.5. Departmental Administration

Purpose: The purpose of this appropriation is to plan, construct, maintain, and improve the state's roads and bridges; provide planning and financial support for other modes of transportation such as mass transit, airports, railroads and waterways.

Total Funds	$67,219,569
Federal Funds and Grants	$10,839,823
Federal Highway Administration Highway Planning and Construction (CFDA 20.205)	$10,839,823
Other Funds	$898,970
Agency Funds	$898,970
State Funds	$55,480,776
Motor Fuel Funds	$55,480,776

The above amounts include the following adjustments, additions, and deletions to the previous appropriations act (as amended):		
	State Funds	Total Funds
Amount from previous Appropriations Act (HB 106) as amended	$55,201,024	$66,939,817
Provide funds for merit-based pay adjustments and employee recruitment and retention initiatives effective July 1, 2014.	$279,752	$279,752
Amount appropriated in this Act	$55,480,776	$67,219,569

47.6. Intermodal

Purpose: The purpose of this appropriation is to support the planning, development and maintenance of Georgia's Airports, Rail, Transit and Ports and Waterways to facilitate a complete and seamless statewide transportation system.

Total Funds	$81,990,435
Federal Funds and Grants	$66,861,369
Federal Funds Not Specifically Identified	$66,861,369
Other Funds	$100,589
Agency Funds	$94,239
Other Funds - Not Specifically Identified	$6,350
State Funds	$15,028,477
State General Funds	$15,028,477

The above amounts include the following adjustments, additions, and deletions to the previous appropriations act (as amended):		
	State Funds	Total Funds
Amount from previous Appropriations Act (HB 106) as amended	$6,971,533	$73,933,491
Provide funds for merit-based pay adjustments and employee recruitment and retention initiatives effective July 1, 2014.	$11,940	$11,940
Increase funds to reflect an adjustment in the employer share of the Employees' Retirement System.	$45,004	$45,004
Provide additional state general funds for Airport Aid to match local and federal funds for regional airport projects.	$8,000,000	$8,000,000
Utilize remaining funds for Airport Aid projects. *(CC:Yes)*	$0	$0
Amount appropriated in this Act	$15,028,477	$81,990,435

47.7. Local Maintenance and Improvement Grants

Purpose: The purpose of this appropriation is to provide funding for capital outlay grants to local governments for road and bridge resurfacing projects through the state-funded Construction - Local Road Assistance program.

Total Funds	$122,470,000
State Funds	$122,470,000
Motor Fuel Funds	$122,470,000

47.8. Local Road Assistance Administration

Purpose: The purpose of this appropriation is to provide technical and financial assistance to local governments for construction, maintenance, and resurfacing of local roads and bridges.

Total Funds	$33,950,364
Federal Funds and Grants	$29,008,670
Federal Highway Administration Highway Planning and Construction (CFDA 20.205)	$29,008,670
State Funds	$4,346,461
Motor Fuel Funds	$4,346,461
Intra-State Government Transfers	$595,233
Other Intra-State Government Payments	$595,233

The above amounts include the following adjustments, additions, and deletions to the previous appropriations act (as amended):		
	State Funds	Total Funds
Amount from previous Appropriations Act (HB 106) as amended	$12,354,565	$45,708,468
Transfer 19 filled positions to the Construction Administration program.	($1,500,000)	($5,250,000)
Redistribute funds to the Routine Maintenance program for additional service agreements.	($5,755,906)	($5,755,906)
Reduce funds for operating expenses.	($752,198)	($752,198)

Amount appropriated in this Act	$4,346,461	$33,950,364

47.9. Planning

Purpose: The purpose of this appropriation is to develop the state transportation improvement program and the statewide strategic transportation plan, and coordinate transportation policies, planning, and programs related to design, construction, maintenance, operations, and financing of transportation.

Total Funds	$16,947,030
Federal Funds and Grants	$14,683,804
Federal Highway Administration Highway Planning and Construction (CFDA 20.205)	$14,683,804
State Funds	$2,263,226
Motor Fuel Funds	$2,263,226

The above amounts include the following adjustments, additions, and deletions to the previous appropriations act (as amended):

	State Funds	Total Funds
Amount from previous Appropriations Act (HB 106) as amended	$3,756,074	$18,439,878
Provide funds for merit-based pay adjustments and employee recruitment and retention initiatives effective July 1, 2014.	$7,152	$7,152
Redistribute funds to the Routine Maintenance program for additional service agreements.	($1,500,000)	($1,500,000)
Amount appropriated in this Act	$2,263,226	$16,947,030

47.10. Routine Maintenance

Purpose: The purpose of this appropriation is to ensure a safe and adequately maintained state transportation system by inspecting roads and bridges, cataloguing road and bridge conditions and maintenance needs, and providing routine maintenance for state road and bridges. The purpose of this appropriation is also to maintain landscaping on road easements and rights-of-way through planting, litter control, vegetation removal, and grants to local governments, to provide for emergency operations on state routes, and to maintain state rest areas and welcome centers.

Total Funds	$220,109,163
Federal Funds and Grants	$24,886,452
Federal Highway Administration Highway Planning and Construction (CFDA 20.205)	$24,886,452
Other Funds	$642,602
Agency Funds	$642,602
State Funds	$194,580,109
Motor Fuel Funds	$194,580,109

The above amounts include the following adjustments, additions, and deletions to the previous appropriations act (as amended):

	State Funds	Total Funds
Amount from previous Appropriations Act (HB 106) as amended	$176,823,016	$202,352,070
Provide funds for merit-based pay adjustments and employee recruitment and retention initiatives effective July 1, 2014.	$734,872	$734,872
Increase funds for additional service agreements.	$9,766,315	$9,766,315
Redistribute funds from the Planning and Local Road Assistance Administration programs for additional service agreements.	$7,255,906	$7,255,906
Amount appropriated in this Act	$194,580,109	$220,109,163

47.11. Traffic Management and Control

Purpose: The purpose of this appropriation is to ensure a safe and efficient transportation system statewide by conducting traffic engineering studies for traffic safety planning, permitting for activity on or adjacent to state roads, providing motorist assistance and traffic information through the Highway Emergency Response Operators (HERO) program and Intelligent Transportation System, and conducting inspections, repairs, and installations of traffic signals.

Total Funds	$59,453,013
Federal Funds and Grants	$35,670,542
Federal Highway Administration Highway Planning and Construction (CFDA 20.205)	$35,670,542
Other Funds	$4,026,240
Agency Funds	$4,026,240
State Funds	$19,756,231
Motor Fuel Funds	$19,756,231

The above amounts include the following adjustments, additions, and deletions to the previous appropriations act (as amended):

	State Funds	Total Funds
Amount from previous Appropriations Act (HB 106) as amended	$19,640,861	$59,337,643
Provide funds for merit-based pay adjustments and employee recruitment and retention initiatives effective July 1, 2014.	$115,370	$115,370
Amount appropriated in this Act	$19,756,231	$59,453,013

The following appropriations are for agencies attached for administrative purposes.

47.12. Payments to State Road and Tollway Authority

Purpose: The purpose of this appropriation is to fund debt service payments on non-general obligation bonds and other finance instruments for transportation projects statewide and to capitalize the Community Improvement District Congestion Relief Fund.

Total Funds	$240,002,614

Federal Funds and Grants	$148,156,201
Federal Highway Administration Highway Planning and Construction (CFDA 20.205)	$148,156,201
State Funds	$91,846,413
Motor Fuel Funds	$91,846,413

The above amounts include the following adjustments, additions, and deletions to the previous appropriations act (as amended):

	State Funds	Total Funds
Amount from previous Appropriations Act (HB 106) as amended	$82,447,358	$230,603,559
Increase funds for the Georgia Transportation Infrastructure Bank program to provide financial assistance for transportation projects.	$9,399,055	$9,399,055
Amount appropriated in this Act	$91,846,413	$240,002,614

Section 48: Veterans Service, Department of

Total Funds	**$41,164,039**
Federal Funds and Grants	**$16,260,569**
Federal Funds Not Specifically Identified	$16,260,569
Other Funds	**$4,402,269**
Agency Funds	$2,402,269
Other Funds - Not Specifically Identified	$2,000,000
State Funds	**$20,501,201**
State General Funds	$20,501,201

48.1. Administration

Purpose: The purpose of this appropriation is to coordinate, manage, and supervise all aspects of department operations to include financial, public information, personnel, accounting, purchasing, supply, mail, records management, and information technology.

Total Funds	$1,758,956
State Funds	$1,758,956
State General Funds	$1,758,956

The above amounts include the following adjustments, additions, and deletions to the previous appropriations act (as amended):

	State Funds	Total Funds
Amount from previous Appropriations Act (HB 106) as amended	$1,570,145	$1,570,145
Provide funds for merit-based pay adjustments and employee recruitment and retention initiatives effective July 1, 2014.	$9,379	$9,379
Increase funds to reflect an adjustment in the employer share of the Employees' Retirement System.	$27,172	$27,172
Reflect an adjustment in TeamWorks billings.	$84	$84
Transfer two positions from the Veterans Benefits	$152,176	$152,176

program to align position function.		
Amount appropriated in this Act	$1,758,956	$1,758,956

48.2. Georgia Veterans Memorial Cemetery

Purpose: The purpose of this appropriation is to provide for the interment of eligible Georgia Veterans who served faithfully and honorably in the military service of our country.

Total Funds	$732,701
Federal Funds and Grants	$178,004
Federal Funds Not Specifically Identified	$178,004
State Funds	$554,697
State General Funds	$554,697

The above amounts include the following adjustments, additions, and deletions to the previous appropriations act (as amended):

	State Funds	Total Funds
Amount from previous Appropriations Act (HB 106) as amended	$498,935	$676,939
Provide funds for merit-based pay adjustments and employee recruitment and retention initiatives effective July 1, 2014.	$5,796	$5,796
Increase funds to reflect an adjustment in the employer share of the Employees' Retirement System.	$14,966	$14,966
Transfer funds from the Georgia War Veterans Nursing Home program to cover one-time pre-design expenses for cemetery expansion.	$35,000	$35,000
Amount appropriated in this Act	$554,697	$732,701

48.3. Georgia War Veterans Nursing Homes

Purpose: The purpose of this appropriation is to provide skilled nursing care to aged and infirmed Georgia war veterans.

Total Funds	$27,791,149
Federal Funds and Grants	$13,459,125
Federal Funds Not Specifically Identified	$13,459,125
Other Funds	$2,402,269
Agency Funds	$2,402,269
State Funds	$11,929,755
State General Funds	$11,929,755

The above amounts include the following adjustments, additions, and deletions to the previous appropriations act (as amended):

	State Funds	Total Funds
Amount from previous Appropriations Act (HB 106) as amended	$0	$0
Provide funds for merit-based pay adjustments and employee recruitment and retention initiatives effective July 1, 2014.	$49,231	$49,231
Increase funds to reflect an adjustment in the employer share of the Teachers' Retirement System from 12.28%	$35,515	$35,515

to 13.15%.		
Transfer funds from Georgia War Veterans Nursing Home-Augusta ($4,625,143) and Georgia War Veterans Home-Milledgeville ($7,188,422) in order to establish the new Georgia War Veterans Nursing Homes program.	$11,813,565	$27,674,959
Transfer funds to the Georgia Veterans Memorial Cemetery program to cover one-time expenses for pre-design for cemetery expansion.	($35,000)	($35,000)
Increase funds for the employer share of health insurance ($22,944) and retiree health benefits ($43,500).	$66,444	$66,444
Amount appropriated in this Act	$11,929,755	$27,791,149

48.4. Georgia War Veterans Nursing Home - Augusta

Purpose: The purpose of this appropriation is to provide skilled nursing care to aged and infirmed Georgia Veterans and to serve as a teaching facility for the Georgia Regents University- Augusta.

Total Funds $0

The above amounts include the following adjustments, additions, and deletions to the previous appropriations act (as amended):

	State Funds	Total Funds
Amount from previous Appropriations Act (HB 106) as amended	$4,625,143	$10,923,006
Transfer funds from the Georgia War Veterans Nursing Home-Augusta ($4,625,143) and Georgia War Veterans Home-Milledgeville ($7,188,422) in order to establish the new Georgia War Veterans Nursing Homes program.	($4,625,143)	($10,923,006)
Amount appropriated in this Act	$0	$0

48.5. Georgia War Veterans Nursing Home - Milledgeville

Purpose: The purpose of this appropriation is to provide skilled nursing care to aged and infirmed Georgia war veterans.

Total Funds $0

The above amounts include the following adjustments, additions, and deletions to the previous appropriations act (as amended):

	State Funds	Total Funds
Amount from previous Appropriations Act (HB 106) as amended	$7,188,422	$16,751,953
Transfer funds from the Georgia War Veterans Nursing Home-Augusta ($4,625,143) and Georgia War Veterans Home-Milledgeville ($7,188,422) in order to establish the new Georgia War Veterans Nursing Homes program.	($7,188,422)	($16,751,953)
Amount appropriated in this Act	$0	$0

48.6. Veterans Benefits

Purpose: The purpose of this appropriation is to serve Georgia's veterans,

their dependents, and survivors in all matters pertaining to veterans' benefits by informing the veterans and their families about veterans' benefits, and directly assisting and advising them in securing the benefits to which they are entitled.

Total Funds	$10,881,233
Federal Funds and Grants	$2,623,440
Federal Funds Not Specifically Identified	$2,623,440
Other Funds	$2,000,000
Other Funds - Not Specifically Identified	$2,000,000
State Funds	$6,257,793
State General Funds	$6,257,793

The above amounts include the following adjustments, additions, and deletions to the previous appropriations act (as amended):

	State Funds	Total Funds
Amount from previous Appropriations Act (HB 106) as amended	$6,253,353	$10,876,793
Provide funds for merit-based pay adjustments and employee recruitment and retention initiatives effective July 1, 2014.	$40,876	$40,876
Increase funds to reflect an adjustment in the employer share of the Employees' Retirement System.	$115,740	$115,740
Transfer two positions to the Administration program to align position function to the proper program.	($152,176)	($152,176)
Amount appropriated in this Act	$6,257,793	$10,881,233

Section 49: Workers' Compensation, State Board of

Total Funds	**$23,053,548**
Other Funds	**$523,832**
Agency Funds	$523,832
State Funds	**$22,529,716**
State General Funds	$22,529,716

49.1. Administer the Workers' Compensation Laws

Purpose: The purpose of this appropriation is to provide exclusive remedy for resolution of disputes in the Georgia Workers' Compensation law.

Total Funds	$12,444,175
Other Funds	$458,353
Agency Funds	$458,353
State Funds	$11,985,822
State General Funds	$11,985,822

The above amounts include the following adjustments, additions, and deletions to the previous appropriations act (as amended):

	State Funds	Total Funds
Amount from previous Appropriations Act (HB 106) as amended	$11,445,635	$11,903,988

Provide funds for merit-based pay adjustments and employee recruitment and retention initiatives effective July 1, 2014.	$91,333	$91,333
Increase funds to reflect an adjustment in the employer share of the Employees' Retirement System.	$248,854	$248,854
Transfer funds from the Board Administration program to properly align budget to expenditures.	$200,000	$200,000
Amount appropriated in this Act	$11,985,822	$12,444,175

49.2. Board Administration

Purpose: The purpose of this appropriation is to provide superior access to the Georgia Workers' Compensation program for injured workers and employers in a manner that is sensitive, responsive, and effective.

Total Funds	$10,609,373
Other Funds	$65,479
Agency Funds	$65,479
State Funds	$10,543,894
State General Funds	$10,543,894

The above amounts include the following adjustments, additions, and deletions to the previous appropriations act (as amended):

	State Funds	Total Funds
Amount from previous Appropriations Act (HB 106) as amended	$11,255,611	$11,321,090
Provide funds for merit-based pay adjustments and employee recruitment and retention initiatives effective July 1, 2014.	$17,510	$17,510
Increase funds to reflect an adjustment in the employer share of the Employees' Retirement System.	$44,314	$44,314
Reflect an adjustment in TeamWorks billings.	$1,886	$1,886
Transfer funds to the Administer the Workers' Compensation Laws program to properly align budget to expenditures.	($200,000)	($200,000)
Reduce payment to the Office of the State Treasurer from $5,303,747 to $4,728,320. *(CC:Yes)*	($575,427)	($575,427)
Amount appropriated in this Act	$10,543,894	$10,609,373

Section 50: General Obligation Debt Sinking Fund

Total Funds	**$1,134,644,249**
Federal Recovery Funds	**$17,683,461**
Federal Recovery Funds Not Specifically Identified	$17,683,461
State Funds	**$1,116,960,788**
Motor Fuel Funds	$156,679,813
State General Funds	$960,280,975

50.1. GO Bonds Issued

Total Funds	$1,035,886,164

Federal Recovery Funds	$17,683,461
Federal Recovery Funds Not Specifically Identified	$17,683,461
State Funds	$1,018,202,703
Motor Fuel Funds	$154,754,213
State General Funds	$863,448,490

The above amounts include the following adjustments, additions, and deletions to the previous appropriations act (as amended):

	State Funds	Total Funds
Amount from previous Appropriations Act (HB 106) as amended	$1,083,933,144	$1,101,616,605
Increase motor fuel funds for debt service.	$7,815,887	$7,815,887
Reduce funds for debt service to reflect savings associated with refundings and favorable rates received in recent bond sales.	($159,091,624)	($159,091,624)
Increase funds for debt service. *(CC:No)*	$0	$0
Repeal the authorization of $2,200,000 in 20-year bonds from FY 2012 (HB 78, Bond #379.303) for the State Board of Education (Department of Education) Capital Outlay Program - Regular Advance, statewide.	($219,340)	($219,340)
Repeal the authorization of $10,490,000 in 20-year bonds from FY 2012 (HB 78, Bond #379.302) for the State Board of Education (Department of Education) Capital Outlay Program - Exceptional Growth, statewide.	($1,045,853)	($1,045,853)
Repeal the authorization of $240,000 in 20-year bonds from FY 2012 (HB 78, Bond #379.301) for the State Board of Education (Department of Education) Capital Outlay Program - Regular, statewide.	($23,928)	($23,928)
Transfer funds from GO Bonds New to GO Bonds Issued to reflect the issuance of new bonds.	$86,834,417	$86,834,417
Redirect $1,155,000 in 20-year unspent bond proceeds from FY 2014 (HB106, Bond #362.309) for building and construction at the FFA/FCCLA camp to authorize the funds for planning and design for FFA/FCCLA dining hall and leadership facility. *(CC:Yes)*	$0	$0
Redirect $799,963 in 5-year unspent bond proceeds from FY 2010 (HB 119, Bond 397.621) for the University System of Georgia, Board of Regents for the design of the academic building at Georgia Perimeter College to be used for equipment at the Reese Library Building at Georgia Regents University, Augusta, Richmond County. *(CC:Yes)*	$0	$0
Redirect $1,676,592 in 20-year unspent bond proceeds from FY 2010 (HB 119, Bond 397.690) for the Northeast Regional Library in the Sequoyah Regional Library System to be used for Public Libraries major repairs and renovations statewide. *(CC:Yes)*	$0	$0
Redirect $678,990 in 20-year unspent bond proceeds from FY 2011 (HB 948, Bond 25) for Augusta State University to be used for HVAC modification at the Student Center, Darton State College, Albany, Dougherty County. *(CC:Yes)*	$0	$0

Amount appropriated in this Act	$1,018,202,703	$1,035,886,164

50.2. GO Bonds New

Total Funds	$98,758,085
State Funds	$98,758,085
Motor Fuel Funds	$1,925,600
State General Funds	$96,832,485

The above amounts include the following adjustments, additions, and deletions to the previous appropriations act (as amended):

	State Funds	Total Funds
Amount from previous Appropriations Act (HB 106) as amended	$86,834,417	$86,834,417
Increase debt service for new bonds.	$98,758,085	$98,758,085
Transfer funds from GO Bonds New to GO Bonds Issued to reflect the issuance of new bonds.	($86,834,417)	($86,834,417)
Amount appropriated in this Act	$98,758,085	$98,758,085

Bond Financing Appropriated:

[Bond # 1] From State General Funds, $16,062,412 is specifically appropriated for the purpose of financing educational facilities for county and independent school systems through the State Board of Education (Department of Education) through the issuance of not more than $187,645,000 in principal amount of General Obligation Debt, the instruments of which shall have maturities not in excess of two hundred and forty months.

[Bond # 2] From State General Funds, $1,395,280 is specifically appropriated for the purpose of financing educational facilities for county and independent school systems through the State Board of Education (Department of Education) through the issuance of not more than $16,300,000 in principal amount of General Obligation Debt, the instruments of which shall have maturities not in excess of two hundred and forty months.

[Bond # 3] From State General Funds, $2,374,544 is specifically appropriated for the purpose of financing educational facilities for county and independent school systems through the State Board of Education (Department of Education) through the issuance of not more than $27,740,000 in principal amount of General Obligation Debt, the instruments of which shall have maturities not in excess of two hundred and forty months.

[Bond # 4] From State General Funds, $154,080 is specifically appropriated for the purpose of financing educational facilities for county and independent school systems through the State Board of Education (Department of Education) through the issuance of not more than $1,800,000 in principal amount of General Obligation Debt, the instruments of which shall have maturities not in excess of two hundred and forty months.

[Bond # 5] From State General Funds, $462,800 is specifically appropriated for the purpose of financing projects and facilities for the Department of Education by means of the acquisition, construction, development, extension, enlargement, or improvement of land, waters, property, highways, buildings, structures, equipment or facilities, both real and personal, necessary or useful

in connection therewith, through the issuance of not more than $2,000,000 in principal amount of General Obligation Debt, the instruments of which shall have maturities not in excess of sixty months.

[Bond # 6] From State General Funds, $2,656,000 is specifically appropriated for the purpose of financing projects and facilities for the Department of Education by means of the acquisition, construction, development, extension, enlargement, or improvement of land, waters, property, highways, buildings, structures, equipment or facilities, both real and personal, necessary or useful in connection therewith, through the issuance of not more than $20,000,000 in principal amount of General Obligation Debt, the instruments of which shall have maturities not in excess of one hundred and twenty months.

[Bond # 7] From State General Funds, $64,200 is specifically appropriated for the purpose of financing projects and facilities for the Department of Education by means of the acquisition, construction, development, extension, enlargement, or improvement of land, waters, property, highways, buildings, structures, equipment or facilities, both real and personal, necessary or useful in connection therewith, through the issuance of not more than $750,000 in principal amount of General Obligation Debt, the instruments of which shall have maturities not in excess of two hundred and forty months.

[Bond # 8] From State General Funds, $3,239,600 is specifically appropriated for the purpose of financing educational facilities for county and independent school systems through the State Board of Education (Department of Education) through the issuance of not more than $14,000,000 in principal amount of General Obligation Debt, the instruments of which shall have maturities not in excess of sixty months.

[Bond # 9] From State General Funds, $252,948 is specifically appropriated for the purpose of financing projects and facilities for the Department of Education by means of the acquisition, construction, development, extension, enlargement, or improvement of land, waters, property, highways, buildings, structures, equipment or facilities, both real and personal, necessary or useful in connection therewith, through the issuance of not more than $2,955,000 in principal amount of General Obligation Debt, the instruments of which shall have maturities not in excess of two hundred and forty months.

[Bond # 10] From State General Funds, $1,619,800 is specifically appropriated for the purpose of financing projects and facilities for the Board of Regents of the University System of Georgia by means of the acquisition, construction, development, extension, enlargement, or improvement of land, waters, property, highways, buildings, structures, equipment or facilities, both real and personal, necessary or useful in connection therewith, through the issuance of not more than $7,000,000 in principal amount of General Obligation Debt, the instruments of which shall have maturities not in excess of sixty months.

[Bond # 11] From State General Funds, $671,060 is specifically appropriated for the purpose of financing projects and facilities for the Board of Regents of the University System of Georgia by means of the acquisition, construction, development, extension, enlargement, or improvement of land, waters, property, highways, buildings, structures, equipment or facilities, both real and

personal, necessary or useful in connection therewith, through the issuance of not more than $2,900,000 in principal amount of General Obligation Debt, the instruments of which shall have maturities not in excess of sixty months.

[Bond # 12] From State General Funds, $1,157,000 is specifically appropriated for the purpose of financing projects and facilities for the Board of Regents of the University System of Georgia by means of the acquisition, construction, development, extension, enlargement, or improvement of land, waters, property, highways, buildings, structures, equipment or facilities, both real and personal, necessary or useful in connection therewith, through the issuance of not more than $5,000,000 in principal amount of General Obligation Debt, the instruments of which shall have maturities not in excess of sixty months.

[Bond # 13] From State General Funds, $3,424,000 is specifically appropriated for the purpose of financing projects and facilities for the Board of Regents of the University System of Georgia by means of the acquisition, construction, development, extension, enlargement, or improvement of land, waters, property, highways, buildings, structures, equipment or facilities, both real and personal, necessary or useful in connection therewith, through the issuance of not more than $40,000,000 in principal amount of General Obligation Debt, the instruments of which shall have maturities not in excess of two hundred and forty months.

[Bond # 14] From State General Funds, $323,960 is specifically appropriated for the purpose of financing projects and facilities for the Board of Regents of the University System of Georgia by means of the acquisition, construction, development, extension, enlargement, or improvement of land, waters, property, highways, buildings, structures, equipment or facilities, both real and personal, necessary or useful in connection therewith, through the issuance of not more than $1,400,000 in principal amount of General Obligation Debt, the instruments of which shall have maturities not in excess of sixty months.

[Bond # 15] From State General Funds, $3,826,320 is specifically appropriated for the purpose of financing projects and facilities for the Board of Regents of the University System of Georgia by means of the acquisition, construction, development, extension, enlargement, or improvement of land, waters, property, highways, buildings, structures, equipment or facilities, both real and personal, necessary or useful in connection therewith, through the issuance of not more than $44,700,000 in principal amount of General Obligation Debt, the instruments of which shall have maturities not in excess of two hundred and forty months.

[Bond # 16] From State General Funds, $231,400 is specifically appropriated for the purpose of financing projects and facilities for the Board of Regents of the University System of Georgia by means of the acquisition, construction, development, extension, enlargement, or improvement of land, waters, property, highways, buildings, structures, equipment or facilities, both real and personal, necessary or useful in connection therewith, through the issuance of not more than $1,000,000 in principal amount of General Obligation Debt, the instruments of which shall have maturities not in excess of sixty months.

[Bond # 17] From State General Funds, $813,200 is specifically appropriated

for the purpose of financing projects and facilities for the Board of Regents of the University System of Georgia by means of the acquisition, construction, development, extension, enlargement, or improvement of land, waters, property, highways, buildings, structures, equipment or facilities, both real and personal, necessary or useful in connection therewith, through the issuance of not more than $9,500,000 in principal amount of General Obligation Debt, the instruments of which shall have maturities not in excess of two hundred and forty months.

[Bond # 18] From State General Funds, $393,380 is specifically appropriated for the purpose of financing projects and facilities for the Board of Regents of the University System of Georgia by means of the acquisition, construction, development, extension, enlargement, or improvement of land, waters, property, highways, buildings, structures, equipment or facilities, both real and personal, necessary or useful in connection therewith, through the issuance of not more than $1,700,000 in principal amount of General Obligation Debt, the instruments of which shall have maturities not in excess of sixty months.

[Bond # 19] From State General Funds, $578,500 is specifically appropriated for the purpose of financing projects and facilities for the Board of Regents of the University System of Georgia by means of the acquisition, construction, development, extension, enlargement, or improvement of land, waters, property, highways, buildings, structures, equipment or facilities, both real and personal, necessary or useful in connection therewith, through the issuance of not more than $2,500,000 in principal amount of General Obligation Debt, the instruments of which shall have maturities not in excess of sixty months.

[Bond # 20] From State General Funds, $462,800 is specifically appropriated for the purpose of financing public library facilities for boards of trustees of public libraries or boards of trustees of public library systems through the Board of Regents of the University System of Georgia, through the issuance of not more than $2,000,000 in principal amount of General Obligation Debt, the instruments of which shall have maturities not in excess of sixty months.

[Bond # 21] From State General Funds, $67,106 is specifically appropriated for the purpose of financing projects and facilities for the Board of Regents of the University System of Georgia by means of the acquisition, construction, development, extension, enlargement, or improvement of land, waters, property, highways, buildings, structures, equipment or facilities, both real and personal, necessary or useful in connection therewith, through the issuance of not more than $290,000 in principal amount of General Obligation Debt, the instruments of which shall have maturities not in excess of sixty months.

[Bond # 22] From State General Funds, $2,075,658 is specifically appropriated for the purpose of financing projects and facilities for the Board of Regents of the University System of Georgia by means of the acquisition, construction, development, extension, enlargement, or improvement of land, waters, property, highways, buildings, structures, equipment or facilities, both real and personal, necessary or useful in connection therewith, through the issuance of not more than $8,970,000 in principal amount of General Obligation Debt, the instruments of which shall have maturities not in excess of sixty months.

[Bond # 23] From State General Funds, $847,440 is specifically appropriated for the purpose of financing projects and facilities for the Board of Regents of the University System of Georgia by means of the acquisition, construction, development, extension, enlargement, or improvement of land, waters, property, highways, buildings, structures, equipment or facilities, both real and personal, necessary or useful in connection therewith, through the issuance of not more than $9,900,000 in principal amount of General Obligation Debt, the instruments of which shall have maturities not in excess of two hundred and forty months.

[Bond # 24] From State General Funds, $663,400 is specifically appropriated for the purpose of financing projects and facilities for the Board of Regents of the University System of Georgia by means of the acquisition, construction, development, extension, enlargement, or improvement of land, waters, property, highways, buildings, structures, equipment or facilities, both real and personal, necessary or useful in connection therewith, through the issuance of not more than $7,750,000 in principal amount of General Obligation Debt, the instruments of which shall have maturities not in excess of two hundred and forty months.

[Bond # 25] From State General Funds, $423,720 is specifically appropriated for the purpose of financing projects and facilities for the Board of Regents of the University System of Georgia by means of the acquisition, construction, development, extension, enlargement, or improvement of land, waters, property, highways, buildings, structures, equipment or facilities, both real and personal, necessary or useful in connection therewith, through the issuance of not more than $4,950,000 in principal amount of General Obligation Debt, the instruments of which shall have maturities not in excess of two hundred and forty months.

[Bond # 26] From State General Funds, $385,200 is specifically appropriated for the purpose of financing projects and facilities for the Board of Regents of the University System of Georgia by means of the acquisition, construction, development, extension, enlargement, or improvement of land, waters, property, highways, buildings, structures, equipment or facilities, both real and personal, necessary or useful in connection therewith, through the issuance of not more than $4,500,000 in principal amount of General Obligation Debt, the instruments of which shall have maturities not in excess of two hundred and forty months.

[Bond # 27] From State General Funds, $214,000 is specifically appropriated for the purpose of financing projects and facilities for the Board of Regents of the University System of Georgia by means of the acquisition, construction, development, extension, enlargement, or improvement of land, waters, property, highways, buildings, structures, equipment or facilities, both real and personal, necessary or useful in connection therewith, through the issuance of not more than $2,500,000 in principal amount of General Obligation Debt, the instruments of which shall have maturities not in excess of two hundred and forty months.

[Bond # 28] From State General Funds, $231,120 is specifically appropriated

for the purpose of financing projects and facilities for the Board of Regents of the University System of Georgia by means of the acquisition, construction, development, extension, enlargement, or improvement of land, waters, property, highways, buildings, structures, equipment or facilities, both real and personal, necessary or useful in connection therewith, through the issuance of not more than $2,700,000 in principal amount of General Obligation Debt, the instruments of which shall have maturities not in excess of two hundred and forty months.

[Bond # 29] From State General Funds, $64,200 is specifically appropriated for the purpose of financing projects and facilities for the Board of Regents of the University System of Georgia by means of the acquisition, construction, development, extension, enlargement, or improvement of land, waters, property, highways, buildings, structures, equipment or facilities, both real and personal, necessary or useful in connection therewith, through the issuance of not more than $750,000 in principal amount of General Obligation Debt, the instruments of which shall have maturities not in excess of two hundred and forty months.

[Bond # 30] From State General Funds, $1,044,200 is specifically appropriated for the purpose of financing projects and facilities for the Board of Regents of the University System of Georgia by means of the acquisition, construction, development, extension, enlargement, or improvement of land, waters, property, highways, buildings, structures, equipment or facilities, both real and personal, necessary or useful in connection therewith, through the issuance of not more than $11,500,000 in principal amount of General Obligation Debt, the instruments of which shall have maturities not in excess of two hundred and forty months.

[Bond # 31] From State General Funds, $578,500 is specifically appropriated for the purpose of financing projects and facilities for the Board of Regents of the University System of Georgia by means of the acquisition, construction, development, extension, enlargement, or improvement of land, waters, property, highways, buildings, structures, equipment or facilities, both real and personal, necessary or useful in connection therewith, through the issuance of not more than $2,500,000 in principal amount of General Obligation Debt, the instruments of which shall have maturities not in excess of sixty months.

[Bond # 32] From State General Funds, $363,200 is specifically appropriated for the purpose of financing projects and facilities for the Board of Regents of the University System of Georgia by means of the acquisition, construction, development, extension, enlargement, or improvement of land, waters, property, highways, buildings, structures, equipment or facilities, both real and personal, necessary or useful in connection therewith, through the issuance of not more than $4,000,000 in principal amount of General Obligation Debt, the instruments of which shall have maturities not in excess of two hundred and forty months.

[Bond # 33] From State General Funds, $231,400 is specifically appropriated for the purpose of financing projects and facilities for the Board of Regents of the University System of Georgia by means of the acquisition, construction,

development, extension, enlargement, or improvement of land, waters, property, highways, buildings, structures, equipment or facilities, both real and personal, necessary or useful in connection therewith, through the issuance of not more than $1,000,000 in principal amount of General Obligation Debt, the instruments of which shall have maturities not in excess of sixty months.

[Bond # 34] From State General Funds, $247,598 is specifically appropriated for the purpose of financing projects and facilities for the Board of Regents of the University System of Georgia by means of the acquisition, construction, development, extension, enlargement, or improvement of land, waters, property, highways, buildings, structures, equipment or facilities, both real and personal, necessary or useful in connection therewith, through the issuance of not more than $1,070,000 in principal amount of General Obligation Debt, the instruments of which shall have maturities not in excess of sixty months.

[Bond # 35] From State General Funds, $376,640 is specifically appropriated for the purpose of financing projects and facilities for the Board of Regents of the University System of Georgia by means of the acquisition, construction, development, extension, enlargement, or improvement of land, waters, property, highways, buildings, structures, equipment or facilities, both real and personal, necessary or useful in connection therewith, through the issuance of not more than $4,400,000 in principal amount of General Obligation Debt, the instruments of which shall have maturities not in excess of two hundred and forty months.

[Bond # 36] From State General Funds, $162,640 is specifically appropriated for the purpose of financing projects and facilities for the Board of Regents of the University System of Georgia by means of the acquisition, construction, development, extension, enlargement, or improvement of land, waters, property, highways, buildings, structures, equipment or facilities, both real and personal, necessary or useful in connection therewith, through the issuance of not more than $1,900,000 in principal amount of General Obligation Debt, the instruments of which shall have maturities not in excess of two hundred and forty months.

[Bond # 37] From State General Funds, $333,840 is specifically appropriated for the purpose of financing projects and facilities for the Board of Regents of the University System of Georgia by means of the acquisition, construction, development, extension, enlargement, or improvement of land, waters, property, highways, buildings, structures, equipment or facilities, both real and personal, necessary or useful in connection therewith, through the issuance of not more than $3,900,000 in principal amount of General Obligation Debt, the instruments of which shall have maturities not in excess of two hundred and forty months.

[Bond # 38] From State General Funds, $214,000 is specifically appropriated for the purpose of financing projects and facilities for the Board of Regents of the University System of Georgia by means of the acquisition, construction, development, extension, enlargement, or improvement of land, waters, property, highways, buildings, structures, equipment or facilities, both real and personal, necessary or useful in connection therewith, through the issuance of

not more than $2,500,000 in principal amount of General Obligation Debt, the instruments of which shall have maturities not in excess of two hundred and forty months.

[Bond # 39] From State General Funds, $231,120 is specifically appropriated for the purpose of financing projects and facilities for the Board of Regents of the University System of Georgia by means of the acquisition, construction, development, extension, enlargement, or improvement of land, waters, property, highways, buildings, structures, equipment or facilities, both real and personal, necessary or useful in connection therewith, through the issuance of not more than $2,700,000 in principal amount of General Obligation Debt, the instruments of which shall have maturities not in excess of two hundred and forty months.

[Bond # 40] From State General Funds, $214,000 is specifically appropriated for the purpose of financing projects and facilities for the Board of Regents of the University System of Georgia by means of the acquisition, construction, development, extension, enlargement, or improvement of land, waters, property, highways, buildings, structures, equipment or facilities, both real and personal, necessary or useful in connection therewith, through the issuance of not more than $2,500,000 in principal amount of General Obligation Debt, the instruments of which shall have maturities not in excess of two hundred and forty months.

[Bond # 41] From State General Funds, $879,320 is specifically appropriated for the purpose of financing projects and facilities for the Board of Regents of the University System of Georgia by means of the acquisition, construction, development, extension, enlargement, or improvement of land, waters, property, highways, buildings, structures, equipment or facilities, both real and personal, necessary or useful in connection therewith, through the issuance of not more than $3,800,000 in principal amount of General Obligation Debt, the instruments of which shall have maturities not in excess of sixty months.

[Bond # 42] From State General Funds, $118,128 is specifically appropriated for the purpose of financing public library facilities for boards of trustees of public libraries or boards of trustees of public library systems through the Board of Regents of the University System of Georgia, through the issuance of not more than $1,380,000 in principal amount of General Obligation Debt, the instruments of which shall have maturities not in excess of two hundred and forty months.

[Bond # 43] From State General Funds, $77,040 is specifically appropriated for the purpose of financing public library facilities for boards of trustees of public libraries or boards of trustees of public library systems through the Board of Regents of the University System of Georgia, through the issuance of not more than $900,000 in principal amount of General Obligation Debt, the instruments of which shall have maturities not in excess of two hundred and forty months.

[Bond # 44] From State General Funds, $171,200 is specifically appropriated for the purpose of financing public library facilities for boards of trustees of public libraries or boards of trustees of public library systems through the Board of Regents of the University System of Georgia, through the issuance of

not more than $2,000,000 in principal amount of General Obligation Debt, the instruments of which shall have maturities not in excess of two hundred and forty months.

[Bond # 45] From State General Funds, $454,000 is specifically appropriated for the purpose of financing projects and facilities for the Board of Regents of the University System of Georgia by means of the acquisition, construction, development, extension, enlargement, or improvement of land, waters, property, highways, buildings, structures, equipment or facilities, both real and personal, necessary or useful in connection therewith, through the issuance of not more than $5,000,000 in principal amount of General Obligation Debt, the instruments of which shall have maturities not in excess of two hundred and forty months.

[Bond # 46] From State General Funds, $908,000 is specifically appropriated for the purpose of financing projects and facilities for the Board of Regents of the University System of Georgia by means of the acquisition, construction, development, extension, enlargement, or improvement of land, waters, property, highways, buildings, structures, equipment or facilities, both real and personal, necessary or useful in connection therewith, through the issuance of not more than $10,000,000 in principal amount of General Obligation Debt, the instruments of which shall have maturities not in excess of two hundred and forty months.

[Bond # 47] From State General Funds, $42,800 is specifically appropriated for the purpose of financing public library facilities for boards of trustees of public libraries or boards of trustees of public library systems through the Board of Regents of the University System of Georgia, through the issuance of not more than $500,000 in principal amount of General Obligation Debt, the instruments of which shall have maturities not in excess of two hundred and forty months.

[Bond # 48] From State General Funds, $265,600 is specifically appropriated for the purpose of financing projects and facilities for the Board of Regents of the University System of Georgia by means of the acquisition, construction, development, extension, enlargement, or improvement of land, waters, property, highways, buildings, structures, equipment or facilities, both real and personal, necessary or useful in connection therewith, through the issuance of not more than $2,000,000 in principal amount of General Obligation Debt, the instruments of which shall have maturities not in excess of one hundred and twenty months.

[Bond # 49] From State General Funds, $25,680 is specifically appropriated for the purpose of financing projects and facilities for the Board of Regents of the University System of Georgia by means of the acquisition, construction, development, extension, enlargement, or improvement of land, waters, property, highways, buildings, structures, equipment or facilities, both real and personal, necessary or useful in connection therewith, through the issuance of not more than $300,000 in principal amount of General Obligation Debt, the instruments of which shall have maturities not in excess of two hundred and forty months.

[Bond # 50] From State General Funds, $1,157,000 is specifically appropriated

for the purpose of financing projects and facilities for the Technical College System of Georgia by means of the acquisition, construction, development, extension, enlargement, or improvement of land, waters, property, highways, buildings, structures, equipment or facilities, both real and personal, necessary or useful in connection therewith, through the issuance of not more than $5,000,000 in principal amount of General Obligation Debt, the instruments of which shall have maturities not in excess of sixty months.

[Bond # 51] From State General Funds, $477,841 is specifically appropriated for the purpose of financing projects and facilities for the Technical College System of Georgia by means of the acquisition, construction, development, extension, enlargement, or improvement of land, waters, property, highways, buildings, structures, equipment or facilities, both real and personal, necessary or useful in connection therewith, through the issuance of not more than $2,065,000 in principal amount of General Obligation Debt, the instruments of which shall have maturities not in excess of sixty months.

[Bond # 52] From State General Funds, $571,558 is specifically appropriated for the purpose of financing projects and facilities for the Technical College System of Georgia by means of the acquisition, construction, development, extension, enlargement, or improvement of land, waters, property, highways, buildings, structures, equipment or facilities, both real and personal, necessary or useful in connection therewith, through the issuance of not more than $2,470,000 in principal amount of General Obligation Debt, the instruments of which shall have maturities not in excess of sixty months.

[Bond # 53] From State General Funds, $342,472 is specifically appropriated for the purpose of financing projects and facilities for the Technical College System of Georgia by means of the acquisition, construction, development, extension, enlargement, or improvement of land, waters, property, highways, buildings, structures, equipment or facilities, both real and personal, necessary or useful in connection therewith, through the issuance of not more than $1,480,000 in principal amount of General Obligation Debt, the instruments of which shall have maturities not in excess of sixty months.

[Bond # 54] From State General Funds, $893,204 is specifically appropriated for the purpose of financing projects and facilities for the Technical College System of Georgia by means of the acquisition, construction, development, extension, enlargement, or improvement of land, waters, property, highways, buildings, structures, equipment or facilities, both real and personal, necessary or useful in connection therewith, through the issuance of not more than $3,860,000 in principal amount of General Obligation Debt, the instruments of which shall have maturities not in excess of sixty months.

[Bond # 55] From State General Funds, $531,063 is specifically appropriated for the purpose of financing projects and facilities for the Technical College System of Georgia by means of the acquisition, construction, development, extension, enlargement, or improvement of land, waters, property, highways, buildings, structures, equipment or facilities, both real and personal, necessary or useful in connection therewith, through the issuance of not more than $2,295,000 in principal amount of General Obligation Debt, the instruments of

which shall have maturities not in excess of sixty months.

[Bond # 56] From State General Funds, $200,161 is specifically appropriated for the purpose of financing projects and facilities for the Technical College System of Georgia by means of the acquisition, construction, development, extension, enlargement, or improvement of land, waters, property, highways, buildings, structures, equipment or facilities, both real and personal, necessary or useful in connection therewith, through the issuance of not more than $865,000 in principal amount of General Obligation Debt, the instruments of which shall have maturities not in excess of sixty months.

[Bond # 57] From State General Funds, $166,608 is specifically appropriated for the purpose of financing projects and facilities for the Technical College System of Georgia by means of the acquisition, construction, development, extension, enlargement, or improvement of land, waters, property, highways, buildings, structures, equipment or facilities, both real and personal, necessary or useful in connection therewith, through the issuance of not more than $720,000 in principal amount of General Obligation Debt, the instruments of which shall have maturities not in excess of sixty months.

[Bond # 58] From State General Funds, $150,410 is specifically appropriated for the purpose of financing projects and facilities for the Technical College System of Georgia by means of the acquisition, construction, development, extension, enlargement, or improvement of land, waters, property, highways, buildings, structures, equipment or facilities, both real and personal, necessary or useful in connection therewith, through the issuance of not more than $650,000 in principal amount of General Obligation Debt, the instruments of which shall have maturities not in excess of sixty months.

[Bond # 59] From State General Funds, $466,271 is specifically appropriated for the purpose of financing projects and facilities for the Technical College System of Georgia by means of the acquisition, construction, development, extension, enlargement, or improvement of land, waters, property, highways, buildings, structures, equipment or facilities, both real and personal, necessary or useful in connection therewith, through the issuance of not more than $2,015,000 in principal amount of General Obligation Debt, the instruments of which shall have maturities not in excess of sixty months.

[Bond # 60] From State General Funds, $131,898 is specifically appropriated for the purpose of financing projects and facilities for the Technical College System of Georgia by means of the acquisition, construction, development, extension, enlargement, or improvement of land, waters, property, highways, buildings, structures, equipment or facilities, both real and personal, necessary or useful in connection therewith, through the issuance of not more than $570,000 in principal amount of General Obligation Debt, the instruments of which shall have maturities not in excess of sixty months.

[Bond # 61] From State General Funds, $599,200 is specifically appropriated for the purpose of financing projects and facilities for the Technical College System of Georgia by means of the acquisition, construction, development, extension, enlargement, or improvement of land, waters, property, highways, buildings, structures, equipment or facilities, both real and personal, necessary

or useful in connection therewith, through the issuance of not more than $7,000,000 in principal amount of General Obligation Debt, the instruments of which shall have maturities not in excess of two hundred and forty months.

[Bond # 62] From State General Funds, $283,465 is specifically appropriated for the purpose of financing projects and facilities for the Technical College System of Georgia by means of the acquisition, construction, development, extension, enlargement, or improvement of land, waters, property, highways, buildings, structures, equipment or facilities, both real and personal, necessary or useful in connection therewith, through the issuance of not more than $1,225,000 in principal amount of General Obligation Debt, the instruments of which shall have maturities not in excess of sixty months.

[Bond # 63] From State General Funds, $393,380 is specifically appropriated for the purpose of financing projects and facilities for the Technical College System of Georgia by means of the acquisition, construction, development, extension, enlargement, or improvement of land, waters, property, highways, buildings, structures, equipment or facilities, both real and personal, necessary or useful in connection therewith, through the issuance of not more than $1,700,000 in principal amount of General Obligation Debt, the instruments of which shall have maturities not in excess of sixty months.

[Bond # 64] From State General Funds, $291,040 is specifically appropriated for the purpose of financing projects and facilities for the Technical College System of Georgia by means of the acquisition, construction, development, extension, enlargement, or improvement of land, waters, property, highways, buildings, structures, equipment or facilities, both real and personal, necessary or useful in connection therewith, through the issuance of not more than $3,400,000 in principal amount of General Obligation Debt, the instruments of which shall have maturities not in excess of two hundred and forty months.

[Bond # 65] From State General Funds, $439,660 is specifically appropriated for the purpose of financing projects and facilities for the Technical College System of Georgia by means of the acquisition, construction, development, extension, enlargement, or improvement of land, waters, property, highways, buildings, structures, equipment or facilities, both real and personal, necessary or useful in connection therewith, through the issuance of not more than $1,900,000 in principal amount of General Obligation Debt, the instruments of which shall have maturities not in excess of sixty months.

[Bond # 66] From State General Funds, $208,260 is specifically appropriated for the purpose of financing projects and facilities for the Technical College System of Georgia by means of the acquisition, construction, development, extension, enlargement, or improvement of land, waters, property, highways, buildings, structures, equipment or facilities, both real and personal, necessary or useful in connection therewith, through the issuance of not more than $900,000 in principal amount of General Obligation Debt, the instruments of which shall have maturities not in excess of sixty months.

[Bond # 67] From State General Funds, $208,260 is specifically appropriated for the purpose of financing projects and facilities for the Technical College System of Georgia by means of the acquisition, construction, development,

extension, enlargement, or improvement of land, waters, property, highways, buildings, structures, equipment or facilities, both real and personal, necessary or useful in connection therewith, through the issuance of not more than $900,000 in principal amount of General Obligation Debt, the instruments of which shall have maturities not in excess of sixty months.

[Bond # 68] From State General Funds, $856,000 is specifically appropriated for the purpose of financing projects and facilities for the Technical College System of Georgia by means of the acquisition, construction, development, extension, enlargement, or improvement of land, waters, property, highways, buildings, structures, equipment or facilities, both real and personal, necessary or useful in connection therewith, through the issuance of not more than $10,000,000 in principal amount of General Obligation Debt, the instruments of which shall have maturities not in excess of two hundred and forty months.

[Bond # 69] From State General Funds, $50,504 is specifically appropriated for the purpose of financing projects and facilities for the Department of Behavioral Health and Developmental Disabilities by means of the acquisition, construction, development, extension, enlargement, or improvement of land, waters, property, highways, buildings, structures, equipment or facilities, both real and personal, necessary or useful in connection therewith, through the issuance of not more than $590,000 in principal amount of General Obligation Debt, the instruments of which shall have maturities not in excess of two hundred and forty months.

[Bond # 70] From State General Funds, $184,040 is specifically appropriated for the purpose of financing projects and facilities for the Department of Human Services by means of the acquisition, construction, development, extension, enlargement, or improvement of land, waters, property, highways, buildings, structures, equipment or facilities, both real and personal, necessary or useful in connection therewith, through the issuance of not more than $2,150,000 in principal amount of General Obligation Debt, the instruments of which shall have maturities not in excess of two hundred and forty months.

[Bond # 71] From State General Funds, $85,600 is specifically appropriated for the purpose of financing projects and facilities for the Department of Human Services by means of the acquisition, construction, development, extension, enlargement, or improvement of land, waters, property, highways, buildings, structures, equipment or facilities, both real and personal, necessary or useful in connection therewith, through the issuance of not more than $1,000,000 in principal amount of General Obligation Debt, the instruments of which shall have maturities not in excess of two hundred and forty months.

[Bond # 72] From State General Funds, $47,936 is specifically appropriated for the purpose of financing projects and facilities for the Department of Public Health by means of the acquisition, construction, development, extension, enlargement, or improvement of land, waters, property, highways, buildings, structures, equipment or facilities, both real and personal, necessary or useful in connection therewith, through the issuance of not more than $560,000 in principal amount of General Obligation Debt, the instruments of which shall have maturities not in excess of two hundred and forty months.

[Bond # 73] From State General Funds, $94,160 is specifically appropriated for the purpose of financing projects and facilities for the Georgia Vocational Rehabilitation Agency by means of the acquisition, construction, development, extension, enlargement, or improvement of land, waters, property, highways, buildings, structures, equipment or facilities, both real and personal, necessary or useful in connection therewith, through the issuance of not more than $1,100,000 in principal amount of General Obligation Debt, the instruments of which shall have maturities not in excess of two hundred and forty months.

[Bond # 74] From State General Funds, $462,800 is specifically appropriated for the purpose of financing projects and facilities for the Department of Corrections by means of the acquisition, construction, development, extension, enlargement, or improvement of land, waters, property, highways, buildings, structures, equipment or facilities, both real and personal, necessary or useful in connection therewith, through the issuance of not more than $2,000,000 in principal amount of General Obligation Debt, the instruments of which shall have maturities not in excess of sixty months.

[Bond # 75] From State General Funds, $847,440 is specifically appropriated for the purpose of financing projects and facilities for the Department of Corrections by means of the acquisition, construction, development, extension, enlargement, or improvement of land, waters, property, highways, buildings, structures, equipment or facilities, both real and personal, necessary or useful in connection therewith, through the issuance of not more than $9,900,000 in principal amount of General Obligation Debt, the instruments of which shall have maturities not in excess of two hundred and forty months.

[Bond # 76] From State General Funds, $261,080 is specifically appropriated for the purpose of financing projects and facilities for the Department of Corrections by means of the acquisition, construction, development, extension, enlargement, or improvement of land, waters, property, highways, buildings, structures, equipment or facilities, both real and personal, necessary or useful in connection therewith, through the issuance of not more than $3,050,000 in principal amount of General Obligation Debt, the instruments of which shall have maturities not in excess of two hundred and forty months.

[Bond # 77] From State General Funds, $1,093,365 is specifically appropriated for the purpose of financing projects and facilities for the Department of Corrections by means of the acquisition, construction, development, extension, enlargement, or improvement of land, waters, property, highways, buildings, structures, equipment or facilities, both real and personal, necessary or useful in connection therewith, through the issuance of not more than $4,725,000 in principal amount of General Obligation Debt, the instruments of which shall have maturities not in excess of sixty months.

[Bond # 78] From State General Funds, $856,000 is specifically appropriated for the purpose of financing projects and facilities for the Department of Corrections by means of the acquisition, construction, development, extension, enlargement, or improvement of land, waters, property, highways, buildings, structures, equipment or facilities, both real and personal, necessary or useful in connection therewith, through the issuance of not more than $10,000,000 in

principal amount of General Obligation Debt, the instruments of which shall have maturities not in excess of two hundred and forty months.

[Bond # 79] From State General Funds, $309,872 is specifically appropriated for the purpose of financing projects and facilities for the Department of Corrections by means of the acquisition, construction, development, extension, enlargement, or improvement of land, waters, property, highways, buildings, structures, equipment or facilities, both real and personal, necessary or useful in connection therewith, through the issuance of not more than $3,620,000 in principal amount of General Obligation Debt, the instruments of which shall have maturities not in excess of two hundred and forty months.

[Bond # 80] From State General Funds, $23,540 is specifically appropriated for the purpose of financing projects and facilities for the Department of Defense by means of the acquisition, construction, development, extension, enlargement, or improvement of land, waters, property, highways, buildings, structures, equipment or facilities, both real and personal, necessary or useful in connection therewith, through the issuance of not more than $275,000 in principal amount of General Obligation Debt, the instruments of which shall have maturities not in excess of two hundred and forty months.

[Bond # 81] From State General Funds, $22,256 is specifically appropriated for the purpose of financing projects and facilities for the Department of Defense by means of the acquisition, construction, development, extension, enlargement, or improvement of land, waters, property, highways, buildings, structures, equipment or facilities, both real and personal, necessary or useful in connection therewith, through the issuance of not more than $260,000 in principal amount of General Obligation Debt, the instruments of which shall have maturities not in excess of two hundred and forty months.

[Bond # 82] From State General Funds, $115,700 is specifically appropriated for the purpose of financing projects and facilities for the Department of Defense by means of the acquisition, construction, development, extension, enlargement, or improvement of land, waters, property, highways, buildings, structures, equipment or facilities, both real and personal, necessary or useful in connection therewith, through the issuance of not more than $500,000 in principal amount of General Obligation Debt, the instruments of which shall have maturities not in excess of sixty months.

[Bond # 83] From State General Funds, $43,966 is specifically appropriated for the purpose of financing projects and facilities for the Department of Driver Services by means of the acquisition, construction, development, extension, enlargement, or improvement of land, waters, property, highways, buildings, structures, equipment or facilities, both real and personal, necessary or useful in connection therewith, through the issuance of not more than $190,000 in principal amount of General Obligation Debt, the instruments of which shall have maturities not in excess of sixty months.

[Bond # 84] From State General Funds, $101,864 is specifically appropriated for the purpose of financing projects and facilities for the Department of Driver Services by means of the acquisition, construction, development, extension, enlargement, or improvement of land, waters, property, highways, buildings,

structures, equipment or facilities, both real and personal, necessary or useful in connection therewith, through the issuance of not more than $1,190,000 in principal amount of General Obligation Debt, the instruments of which shall have maturities not in excess of two hundred and forty months.

[Bond # 85] From State General Funds, $80,990 is specifically appropriated for the purpose of financing projects and facilities for the Georgia Bureau of Investigation by means of the acquisition, construction, development, extension, enlargement, or improvement of land, waters, property, highways, buildings, structures, equipment or facilities, both real and personal, necessary or useful in connection therewith, through the issuance of not more than $350,000 in principal amount of General Obligation Debt, the instruments of which shall have maturities not in excess of sixty months.

[Bond # 86] From State General Funds, $273,052 is specifically appropriated for the purpose of financing projects and facilities for the Georgia Bureau of Investigation by means of the acquisition, construction, development, extension, enlargement, or improvement of land, waters, property, highways, buildings, structures, equipment or facilities, both real and personal, necessary or useful in connection therewith, through the issuance of not more than $1,180,000 in principal amount of General Obligation Debt, the instruments of which shall have maturities not in excess of sixty months.

[Bond # 87] From State General Funds, $193,219 is specifically appropriated for the purpose of financing projects and facilities for the Georgia Bureau of Investigation by means of the acquisition, construction, development, extension, enlargement, or improvement of land, waters, property, highways, buildings, structures, equipment or facilities, both real and personal, necessary or useful in connection therewith, through the issuance of not more than $835,000 in principal amount of General Obligation Debt, the instruments of which shall have maturities not in excess of sixty months.

[Bond # 88] From State General Funds, $1,050,312 is specifically appropriated for the purpose of financing projects and facilities for the Department of Juvenile Justice by means of the acquisition, construction, development, extension, enlargement, or improvement of land, waters, property, highways, buildings, structures, equipment or facilities, both real and personal, necessary or useful in connection therewith, through the issuance of not more than $12,270,000 in principal amount of General Obligation Debt, the instruments of which shall have maturities not in excess of two hundred and forty months.

[Bond # 89] From State General Funds, $1,062,296 is specifically appropriated for the purpose of financing projects and facilities for the Department of Juvenile Justice by means of the acquisition, construction, development, extension, enlargement, or improvement of land, waters, property, highways, buildings, structures, equipment or facilities, both real and personal, necessary or useful in connection therewith, through the issuance of not more than $12,410,000 in principal amount of General Obligation Debt, the instruments of which shall have maturities not in excess of two hundred and forty months.

[Bond # 90] From State General Funds, $127,270 is specifically appropriated for the purpose of financing projects and facilities for the Department of

Juvenile Justice by means of the acquisition, construction, development, extension, enlargement, or improvement of land, waters, property, highways, buildings, structures, equipment or facilities, both real and personal, necessary or useful in connection therewith, through the issuance of not more than $550,000 in principal amount of General Obligation Debt, the instruments of which shall have maturities not in excess of sixty months.

[Bond # 91] From State General Funds, $1,249,560 is specifically appropriated for the purpose of financing projects and facilities for the Department of Juvenile Justice by means of the acquisition, construction, development, extension, enlargement, or improvement of land, waters, property, highways, buildings, structures, equipment or facilities, both real and personal, necessary or useful in connection therewith, through the issuance of not more than $5,400,000 in principal amount of General Obligation Debt, the instruments of which shall have maturities not in excess of sixty months.

[Bond # 92] From State General Funds, $517,880 is specifically appropriated for the purpose of financing projects and facilities for the Department of Juvenile Justice by means of the acquisition, construction, development, extension, enlargement, or improvement of land, waters, property, highways, buildings, structures, equipment or facilities, both real and personal, necessary or useful in connection therewith, through the issuance of not more than $6,050,000 in principal amount of General Obligation Debt, the instruments of which shall have maturities not in excess of two hundred and forty months.

[Bond # 93] From State General Funds, $1,249,560 is specifically appropriated for the purpose of financing projects and facilities for the Department of Juvenile Justice by means of the acquisition, construction, development, extension, enlargement, or improvement of land, waters, property, highways, buildings, structures, equipment or facilities, both real and personal, necessary or useful in connection therewith, through the issuance of not more than $5,400,000 in principal amount of General Obligation Debt, the instruments of which shall have maturities not in excess of sixty months.

[Bond # 94] From State General Funds, $59,920 is specifically appropriated for the purpose of financing projects and facilities for the Department of Juvenile Justice by means of the acquisition, construction, development, extension, enlargement, or improvement of land, waters, property, highways, buildings, structures, equipment or facilities, both real and personal, necessary or useful in connection therewith, through the issuance of not more than $700,000 in principal amount of General Obligation Debt, the instruments of which shall have maturities not in excess of two hundred and forty months.

[Bond # 95] From State General Funds, $188,591 is specifically appropriated for the purpose of financing projects and facilities for the State Board of Pardons and Paroles by means of the acquisition, construction, development, extension, enlargement, or improvement of land, waters, property, highways, buildings, structures, equipment or facilities, both real and personal, necessary or useful in connection therewith, through the issuance of not more than $815,000 in principal amount of General Obligation Debt, the instruments of which shall have maturities not in excess of sixty months.

[Bond # 96] From State General Funds, $2,314,000 is specifically appropriated for the purpose of financing projects and facilities for the Department of Public Safety by means of the acquisition, construction, development, extension, enlargement, or improvement of land, waters, property, highways, buildings, structures, equipment or facilities, both real and personal, necessary or useful in connection therewith, through the issuance of not more than $10,000,000 in principal amount of General Obligation Debt, the instruments of which shall have maturities not in excess of sixty months.

[Bond # 97] From State General Funds, $1,464,762 is specifically appropriated for the purpose of financing projects and facilities for the Department of Public Safety by means of the acquisition, construction, development, extension, enlargement, or improvement of land, waters, property, highways, buildings, structures, equipment or facilities, both real and personal, necessary or useful in connection therewith, through the issuance of not more than $6,330,000 in principal amount of General Obligation Debt, the instruments of which shall have maturities not in excess of sixty months.

[Bond # 98] From State General Funds, $124,956 is specifically appropriated for the purpose of financing projects and facilities for the Department of Public Safety by means of the acquisition, construction, development, extension, enlargement, or improvement of land, waters, property, highways, buildings, structures, equipment or facilities, both real and personal, necessary or useful in connection therewith, through the issuance of not more than $540,000 in principal amount of General Obligation Debt, the instruments of which shall have maturities not in excess of sixty months.

[Bond # 99] From State General Funds, $92,560 is specifically appropriated for the purpose of financing projects and facilities for the Department of Public Safety by means of the acquisition, construction, development, extension, enlargement, or improvement of land, waters, property, highways, buildings, structures, equipment or facilities, both real and personal, necessary or useful in connection therewith, through the issuance of not more than $400,000 in principal amount of General Obligation Debt, the instruments of which shall have maturities not in excess of sixty months.

[Bond # 100] From State General Funds, $205,946 is specifically appropriated for the purpose of financing projects and facilities for the Department of Public Safety by means of the acquisition, construction, development, extension, enlargement, or improvement of land, waters, property, highways, buildings, structures, equipment or facilities, both real and personal, necessary or useful in connection therewith, through the issuance of not more than $890,000 in principal amount of General Obligation Debt, the instruments of which shall have maturities not in excess of sixty months.

[Bond # 101] From State General Funds, $146,804 is specifically appropriated for the purpose of financing projects and facilities for the Department of Public Safety by means of the acquisition, construction, development, extension, enlargement, or improvement of land, waters, property, highways, buildings, structures, equipment or facilities, both real and personal, necessary or useful in connection therewith, through the issuance of not more than $1,715,000 in

principal amount of General Obligation Debt, the instruments of which shall have maturities not in excess of two hundred and forty months.

[Bond # 102] From State General Funds, $20,972 is specifically appropriated for the purpose of financing projects and facilities for the Department of Public Safety by means of the acquisition, construction, development, extension, enlargement, or improvement of land, waters, property, highways, buildings, structures, equipment or facilities, both real and personal, necessary or useful in connection therewith, through the issuance of not more than $245,000 in principal amount of General Obligation Debt, the instruments of which shall have maturities not in excess of two hundred and forty months.

[Bond # 103] From State General Funds, $108,712 is specifically appropriated for the purpose of financing projects and facilities for the Department of Public Safety by means of the acquisition, construction, development, extension, enlargement, or improvement of land, waters, property, highways, buildings, structures, equipment or facilities, both real and personal, necessary or useful in connection therewith, through the issuance of not more than $1,270,000 in principal amount of General Obligation Debt, the instruments of which shall have maturities not in excess of two hundred and forty months.

[Bond # 104] From State General Funds, $113,386 is specifically appropriated for the purpose of financing projects and facilities for the Department of Audits and Accounts by means of the acquisition, construction, development, extension, enlargement, or improvement of land, waters, property, highways, buildings, structures, equipment or facilities, both real and personal, necessary or useful in connection therewith, through the issuance of not more than $490,000 in principal amount of General Obligation Debt, the instruments of which shall have maturities not in excess of sixty months.

[Bond # 105] From State General Funds, $115,700 is specifically appropriated for the purpose of financing projects and facilities for the Department of Audits and Accounts by means of the acquisition, construction, development, extension, enlargement, or improvement of land, waters, property, highways, buildings, structures, equipment or facilities, both real and personal, necessary or useful in connection therewith, through the issuance of not more than $500,000 in principal amount of General Obligation Debt, the instruments of which shall have maturities not in excess of sixty months.

[Bond # 106] From State General Funds, $1,070,000 is specifically appropriated for the purpose of financing projects and facilities for the Georgia Building Authority by means of the acquisition, construction, development, extension, enlargement, or improvement of land, waters, property, highways, buildings, structures, equipment or facilities, both real and personal, necessary or useful in connection therewith, through the issuance of not more than $12,500,000 in principal amount of General Obligation Debt, the instruments of which shall have maturities not in excess of two hundred and forty months.

[Bond # 107] From State General Funds, $171,200 is specifically appropriated for the purpose of financing projects and facilities for the Georgia Building Authority by means of the acquisition, construction, development, extension, enlargement, or improvement of land, waters, property, highways, buildings,

structures, equipment or facilities, both real and personal, necessary or useful in connection therewith, through the issuance of not more than $2,000,000 in principal amount of General Obligation Debt, the instruments of which shall have maturities not in excess of two hundred and forty months.

[Bond # 108] From State General Funds, $642,000 is specifically appropriated for the purpose of financing projects and facilities for the Georgia Building Authority by means of the acquisition, construction, development, extension, enlargement, or improvement of land, waters, property, highways, buildings, structures, equipment or facilities, both real and personal, necessary or useful in connection therewith, through the issuance of not more than $7,500,000 in principal amount of General Obligation Debt, the instruments of which shall have maturities not in excess of two hundred and forty months.

[Bond # 109] From State General Funds, $925,600 is specifically appropriated for the purpose of financing projects and facilities for the Department of Revenue by means of the acquisition, construction, development, extension, enlargement, or improvement of land, waters, property, highways, buildings, structures, equipment or facilities, both real and personal, necessary or useful in connection therewith, through the issuance of not more than $4,000,000 in principal amount of General Obligation Debt, the instruments of which shall have maturities not in excess of sixty months.

[Bond # 110] From State General Funds, $694,200 is specifically appropriated for the purpose of financing projects and facilities for the Secretary of State by means of the acquisition, construction, development, extension, enlargement, or improvement of land, waters, property, highways, buildings, structures, equipment or facilities, both real and personal, necessary or useful in connection therewith, through the issuance of not more than $3,000,000 in principal amount of General Obligation Debt, the instruments of which shall have maturities not in excess of sixty months.

[Bond # 111] From State General Funds, $275,578 is specifically appropriated for the purpose of financing projects and facilities for the Department of Agriculture by means of the acquisition, construction, development, extension, enlargement, or improvement of land, waters, property, highways, buildings, structures, equipment or facilities, both real and personal, necessary or useful in connection therewith, through the issuance of not more than $3,035,000 in principal amount of General Obligation Debt, the instruments of which shall have maturities not in excess of two hundred and forty months.

[Bond # 112] From State General Funds, $454,000 is specifically appropriated for the purpose of financing projects and facilities for the Department of Agriculture by means of the acquisition, construction, development, extension, enlargement, or improvement of land, waters, property, highways, buildings, structures, equipment or facilities, both real and personal, necessary or useful in connection therewith, through the issuance of not more than $5,000,000 in principal amount of General Obligation Debt, the instruments of which shall have maturities not in excess of two hundred and forty months.

[Bond # 113] From State General Funds, $312,390 is specifically appropriated for the purpose of financing projects and facilities for the Department of

Agriculture by means of the acquisition, construction, development, extension, enlargement, or improvement of land, waters, property, highways, buildings, structures, equipment or facilities, both real and personal, necessary or useful in connection therewith, through the issuance of not more than $1,350,000 in principal amount of General Obligation Debt, the instruments of which shall have maturities not in excess of sixty months.

[Bond # 114] From State General Funds, $1,651,652 is specifically appropriated for the purpose of financing projects and facilities for the Department of Community Affairs by means of the acquisition, construction, development, extension, enlargement, or improvement of land, waters, property, highways, buildings, structures, equipment or facilities, both real and personal, necessary or useful in connection therewith, through the issuance of not more than $18,190,000 in principal amount of General Obligation Debt, the instruments of which shall have maturities not in excess of two hundred and forty months.

[Bond # 115] From State General Funds, $1,543,600 is specifically appropriated for the Department of Economic Development for the purpose of financing projects and facilities for the Georgia World Congress Center Authority by means of the acquisition, construction, development, extension, enlargement, or improvement of land, waters, property, highways, buildings, structures, equipment or facilities, both real and personal, necessary or useful in connection therewith, through the issuance of not more than $17,000,000 in principal amount of General Obligation Debt, the instruments of which shall have maturities not in excess of two hundred and forty months.

[Bond # 116] From State General Funds, $99,880 is specifically appropriated for the Department of Economic Development for the purpose of financing projects and facilities for the Georgia World Congress Center Authority by means of the acquisition, construction, development, extension, enlargement, or improvement of land, waters, property, highways, buildings, structures, equipment or facilities, both real and personal, necessary or useful in connection therewith, through the issuance of not more than $1,100,000 in principal amount of General Obligation Debt, the instruments of which shall have maturities not in excess of two hundred and forty months.

[Bond # 117] From State General Funds, $517,179 is specifically appropriated for the Department of Economic Development for the purpose of financing projects and facilities for the Georgia World Congress Center Authority by means of the acquisition, construction, development, extension, enlargement, or improvement of land, waters, property, highways, buildings, structures, equipment or facilities, both real and personal, necessary or useful in connection therewith, through the issuance of not more than $2,235,000 in principal amount of General Obligation Debt, the instruments of which shall have maturities not in excess of sixty months.

[Bond # 118] From State General Funds, $181,600 is specifically appropriated for the Department of Economic Development for the purpose of financing projects and facilities for the Georgia World Congress Center Authority by means of the acquisition, construction, development, extension, enlargement,

or improvement of land, waters, property, highways, buildings, structures, equipment or facilities, both real and personal, necessary or useful in connection therewith, through the issuance of not more than $2,000,000 in principal amount of General Obligation Debt, the instruments of which shall have maturities not in excess of two hundred and forty months.

[Bond # 119] From State General Funds, $817,384 is specifically appropriated for the purpose of financing projects and facilities for the State Forestry Commission by means of the acquisition, construction, development, extension, enlargement, or improvement of land, waters, property, highways, buildings, structures, equipment or facilities, both real and personal, necessary or useful in connection therewith, through the issuance of not more than $6,155,000 in principal amount of General Obligation Debt, the instruments of which shall have maturities not in excess of one hundred and twenty months.

[Bond # 120] From State General Funds, $96,300 is specifically appropriated for the purpose of financing projects and facilities for the State Forestry Commission by means of the acquisition, construction, development, extension, enlargement, or improvement of land, waters, property, highways, buildings, structures, equipment or facilities, both real and personal, necessary or useful in connection therewith, through the issuance of not more than $1,125,000 in principal amount of General Obligation Debt, the instruments of which shall have maturities not in excess of two hundred and forty months.

[Bond # 121] From State General Funds, $1,767,640 is specifically appropriated for the Georgia Environmental Finance Authority for the purpose of financing loans to local government and local government entities for water or sewerage facilities or systems, through the issuance of not more than $20,650,000 in principal amount of General Obligation Debt, the instruments of which shall have maturities not in excess of two hundred and forty months.

[Bond # 122] From State General Funds, $736,160 is specifically appropriated for the Georgia Environmental Finance Authority for the purpose of financing loans to local government and local government entities for water or sewerage facilities or systems, through the issuance of not more than $8,600,000 in principal amount of General Obligation Debt, the instruments of which shall have maturities not in excess of two hundred and forty months.

[Bond # 123] From State General Funds, $1,884,100 is specifically appropriated for the Georgia Environmental Finance Authority for the purpose of financing loans to local government and local government entities for water or sewerage facilities or systems, through the issuance of not more than $20,750,000 in principal amount of General Obligation Debt, the instruments of which shall have maturities not in excess of two hundred and forty months.

[Bond # 124] From State General Funds, $1,342,120 is specifically appropriated for the purpose of financing projects and facilities for the Department of Natural Resources by means of the acquisition, construction, development, extension, enlargement, or improvement of land, waters, property, highways, buildings, structures, equipment or facilities, both real and personal, necessary or useful in connection therewith, through the issuance of not more than $5,800,000 in principal amount of General Obligation Debt, the

instruments of which shall have maturities not in excess of sixty months.

[Bond # 125] From State General Funds, $46,280 is specifically appropriated for the purpose of financing projects and facilities for the Department of Natural Resources by means of the acquisition, construction, development, extension, enlargement, or improvement of land, waters, property, highways, buildings, structures, equipment or facilities, both real and personal, necessary or useful in connection therewith, through the issuance of not more than $200,000 in principal amount of General Obligation Debt, the instruments of which shall have maturities not in excess of sixty months.

[Bond # 126] From State General Funds, $773,616 is specifically appropriated for the purpose of financing projects and facilities for the Department of Natural Resources by means of the acquisition, construction, development, extension, enlargement, or improvement of land, waters, property, highways, buildings, structures, equipment or facilities, both real and personal, necessary or useful in connection therewith, through the issuance of not more than $8,520,000 in principal amount of General Obligation Debt, the instruments of which shall have maturities not in excess of two hundred and forty months.

[Bond # 127] From State General Funds, $374,096 is specifically appropriated for the purpose of financing projects and facilities for the Department of Natural Resources by means of the acquisition, construction, development, extension, enlargement, or improvement of land, waters, property, highways, buildings, structures, equipment or facilities, both real and personal, necessary or useful in connection therewith, through the issuance of not more than $4,120,000 in principal amount of General Obligation Debt, the instruments of which shall have maturities not in excess of two hundred and forty months.

[Bond # 128] From State General Funds, $913,448 is specifically appropriated for the purpose of financing projects and facilities for the Department of Natural Resources by means of the acquisition, construction, development, extension, enlargement, or improvement of land, waters, property, highways, buildings, structures, equipment or facilities, both real and personal, necessary or useful in connection therewith, through the issuance of not more than $10,060,000 in principal amount of General Obligation Debt, the instruments of which shall have maturities not in excess of two hundred and forty months.

[Bond # 129] From State General Funds, $2,996,000 is specifically appropriated for the purpose of financing projects and facilities for the Georgia Ports Authority by means of the acquisition, construction, development, extension, enlargement, or improvement of land, waters, property, highways, buildings, structures, equipment or facilities, both real and personal, necessary or useful in connection therewith, through the issuance of not more than $35,000,000 in principal amount of General Obligation Debt, the instruments of which shall have maturities not in excess of two hundred and forty months.

[Bond # 130] From State General Funds, $1,925,600 is specifically appropriated for the purpose of financing projects and facilities for the Department of Transportation by means of the acquisition, construction, development, extension, enlargement, or improvement of land, waters, property, highways, buildings, structures, equipment or facilities, both real and

personal, necessary or useful in connection therewith, through the issuance of not more than $14,500,000 in principal amount of General Obligation Debt, the instruments of which shall have maturities not in excess of one hundred and twenty months.

[Bond # 131] From State General Funds, $653,306 is specifically appropriated for the purpose of financing projects and facilities for the Department of Transportation by means of the acquisition, construction, development, extension, enlargement, or improvement of land, waters, property, highways, buildings, structures, equipment or facilities, both real and personal, necessary or useful in connection therewith, through the issuance of not more than $7,195,000 in principal amount of General Obligation Debt, the instruments of which shall have maturities not in excess of two hundred and forty months.

[Bond # 132] From State General Funds, $90,800 is specifically appropriated for the purpose of financing projects and facilities for the Department of Transportation by means of the acquisition, construction, development, extension, enlargement, or improvement of land, waters, property, highways, buildings, structures, equipment or facilities, both real and personal, necessary or useful in connection therewith, through the issuance of not more than $1,000,000 in principal amount of General Obligation Debt, the instruments of which shall have maturities not in excess of two hundred and forty months.

Section 51: General Obligation Bonds Repealed, Revised, or Reinstated

The following paragraph of Section 51 of the General Appropriations Act for State Fiscal Year 2011-2012 (Ga. L. 2011, Volume One, Book Two Appendix, commencing at p. 1 of 231, 222, Act No. 223, 2011 Regular Session, H.B. 78), carried forward in Section 51 of the Supplementary General Appropriations Act for State Fiscal Year 2011-2012 (Ga. L. 2012, Volume One Appendix, commencing at p. 1 of 216, 209, Act No. 406, 2012 Regular Session, H.B. 741), and which reads as follows:

Education, Department of
379.301 BOND: K - 12 Schools: $44,120,000 in principal for 20 years at 6.75%: Fund the Capital Outlay Program-Regular for local school construction. (S:Include $2,000,000 for Clarkdale Elementary)
From State General Funds, $4,398,764 is specifically appropriated for the purpose of financing educational facilities for county and independent school systems through the State Board of Education (Department of Education) through the issuance of not more than $44,120,000 in principal amount of General Obligation Debt, the instruments of which shall have maturities not in excess of 240 months.

is hereby amended to read as follows:

379.301 BOND: K - 12 Schools: $43,880,000 in principal for 20 years at

6.75%: Fund the Capital Outlay Program-Regular for local school construction. (S:Include $2,000,000 for Clarkdale Elementary)
From State General Funds, $4,374,836 is specifically appropriated for the purpose of financing educational facilities for county and independent school systems through the State Board of Education (Department of Education) through the issuance of not more than $43,880,000 in principal amount of General Obligation Debt, the instruments of which shall have maturities not in excess of 240 months.

The following paragraph of Section 51 of the General Appropriations Act for State Fiscal Year 2011-2012 (Ga. L. 2011, Volume One, Book Two Appendix, commencing at p. 1 of 231, 222, Act No. 223, 2011 Regular Session, H.B. 78), carried forward in Section 51 of the Supplementary General Appropriations Act for State Fiscal Year 2011-2012 (Ga. L. 2012, Volume One Appendix, commencing at p. 1 of 216, 209, Act No. 406, 2012 Regular Session, H.B. 741), and which reads as follows:

Education, Department of
379.302 BOND: K - 12 Schools: $21,820,000 in principal for 20 years at 6.75%: Fund the Capital Outlay Program-Exceptional Growth for local school construction. (H and S:Recommend funding at the $40 million entitlement level and provide $21,820,000 in 20-year bonds)
From State General Funds, $2,175,454 is specifically appropriated for the purpose of financing educational facilities for county and independent school systems through the State Board of Education (Department of Education) through the issuance of not more than $21,820,000 in principal amount of General Obligation Debt, the instruments of which shall have maturities not in excess of 240 months.

is hereby amended to read as follows:

Education, Department of
379.302 BOND: K - 12 Schools: $11,330,000 in principal for 20 years at 6.75%: Fund the Capital Outlay Program-Exceptional Growth for local school construction. (H and S:Recommend funding at the $40 million entitlement level and provide $11,330,000 in 20-year bonds)
From State General Funds, $1,129,601 is specifically appropriated for the purpose of financing educational facilities for county and independent school systems through the State Board of Education (Department of Education) through the issuance of not more than $11,330,000 in principal amount of General Obligation Debt, the instruments of which shall have maturities not in excess of 240 months.

The following paragraph of Section 51 of the General Appropriations Act for State Fiscal Year 2011-2012 (Ga. L. 2011, Volume One, Book Two Appendix, commencing at p. 1 of 231, 222, Act No. 223, 2011 Regular Session, H.B. 78),

carried forward in Section 51 of the Supplementary General Appropriations Act for State Fiscal Year 2011-2012 (Ga. L. 2012, Volume One Appendix, commencing at p. 1 of 216, 209, Act No. 406, 2012 Regular Session, H.B. 741), and which reads as follows:

Education, Department of
379.303 BOND: K - 12 Schools: $118,650,000 in principal for 20 years at 6.75%: Fund the Capital Outlay Program-Regular Advance for local school construction.
From State General Funds, $11,829,405 is specifically appropriated for the purpose of financing educational facilities for county and independent school systems through the State Board of Education (Department of Education) through the issuance of not more than $118,650,000 in principal amount of General Obligation Debt, the instruments of which shall have maturities not in excess of 240 months.

is hereby amended to read as follows:

Education, Department of
379.303 BOND: K - 12 Schools: $116,450,000 in principal for 20 years at 6.75%: Fund the Capital Outlay Program-Regular Advance for local school construction.
From State General Funds, $11,610,065 is specifically appropriated for the purpose of financing educational facilities for county and independent school systems through the State Board of Education (Department of Education) through the issuance of not more than $116,450,000 in principal amount of General Obligation Debt, the instruments of which shall have maturities not in excess of 240 months.

Section 52: Salary Adjustments

The appropriations to budget units made above include funds for, and have the added purpose of, the following salary increases and adjustments, to be administered in conformity with the applicable compensation and performance management plans as provided by law:

1.) An amount equivalent to 1% of personal services for employees of the Executive, Judicial, and Legislative Branches, excluding Board of Regents faculty and Technical College System of Georgia teachers and support personnel, to be used for merit based pay increases for high performing employees in Fiscal Year 2014 and salary adjustments to attract new employees with critical skills or keep successful performers in critical jobs. The amount for this Item is calculated according to an effective date of July 1, 2014.

2.) Before Item 1 above, but not in lieu of it, funds for supplementary salary adjustments to address employee retention needs for certain employees in the job titles specified in the appropriations stated above to the Department of Audits and Accounts, Department of Agriculture, Department of Banking and Finance, Department of Corrections, State Forestry Commission, Georgia Bureau of Investigation, Department of Juvenile Justice, Department of Law, Department of Natural Resources and Prosecuting Attorneys. The amount for this Item is calculated according to an effective date of July 1, 2014.

3.) In lieu of other numbered items, funds for the State Board of Education for the Quality Basic Education program, such funds to be used by the Quality Basic Education program for the purpose of reducing or eliminating furlough days, increasing instructional days, and providing salary increases to teachers in local education authorities. The amount for this Item is calculated according to an effective date of July 1, 2014.

4.) In lieu of other numbered items, an amount equivalent to 1% of personal services for non-faculty employees of the Board of Regents, to be used for merit based pay increases for high performing employees in Fiscal Year 2014 and salary adjustments to attract new employees with critical skills or to keep successful performers in critical jobs. The amount for this Item is calculated according to an effective date of July 1, 2014.

5.) In lieu of other numbered items, to provide funds for supplementary salary adjustments to address needs for the recruitment and retention of Board of Regents faculty, funded through the Teaching program appropriation stated above. The amount for this Item is calculated according to an effective date of July 1, 2014.

6.) In lieu of other numbered items, an amount equivalent to 1% of personal services for public librarians, funded through the Public Libraries appropriation stated above, to be used for merit based pay increases for high performing employees in Fiscal Year 2014 and salary adjustments to attract new employees with critical skills or keep successful performers in critical jobs as administered by the Board of Regents. The amount for this Item is calculated according to an effective date of July 1, 2014.

7.) In lieu of other numbered items, an amount equivalent to 1% of personal services for teachers and support personnel within the Technical College System of Georgia, to be used for merit based pay increases for high performing employees in Fiscal Year 2014 and salary adjustments to attract new employees with critical skills or to keep successful performers in critical jobs. The amount for this Item is calculated according to an effective date of July 1, 2014.

Section 53: Refunds

In addition to all other appropriations, there is hereby appropriated, as needed, a specific sum of money equal to each refund authorized by law, which is required to make refunds of taxes and other monies collected in error, farmer gasoline tax refunds, and any other refunds specifically authorized by law.

Section 54: Leases

In accordance with the requirements of Article IX, Section III, Paragraph I(a) of the Constitution of the State of Georgia, as amended, there is hereby appropriated payable to each department, agency, or institution of the State sums sufficient to satisfy the payments required to be made in each year under existing lease contracts between any department, agency, or institution of the State and any authority created and activated at the time of the effective date of the aforesaid constitutional provision, as amended, or appropriated for the State Fiscal Year addressed within this Act. If for any reason any of the sums herein provided under any other provision of this Act are insufficient to make the required payments in full, then there shall be taken from other funds appropriated to the department, agency, or institution involved an amount sufficient to satisfy such deficiency in full, and the lease payment shall constitute a first charge on all such appropriations.

Section 55: Budgetary Control and Interpretation

The appropriations of State Funds in this Act shall consist of the amount stated for each line at the most specific level of detail associated with the statement of Program Name and Program Purpose. The appropriations of Federal Funds and of Other Funds in this Act shall consist of the amount stated at the broadest or summary level of detail associated with the statement of Program Name and Program Purpose, and the more specific levels of detail shall be for information only. In the preceding sentence, "Federal Funds" means any federal funding source, whether specifically identified or not specifically identified; "Other Funds" means all other fund sources except State Funds and Federal Funds, including in Other Funds without limitation all Intra-State Government Transfers. Regardless of placement on the page, both the broadest or summary level of detail and the more specific detail of appropriations of Intra-State Government Transfers shall be deemed more specific levels of detail of Other Funds, and the broadest or summary amount shall be deemed added to the broadest or summary amount of the appropriation of Other Funds for the program.

Within this Act, Program Names appear as underlined captions, and Program Purpose appears immediately below as italicized text. Text within a box is not an appropriation but rather is for information only. The most specific level of

detail for authorizations for general obligation debt in Section 50 shall be the authorizing paragraphs.

Section 56: Flex

Notwithstanding any other statement of purpose, the purpose of each appropriation of federal funds or other funds shall be the stated purpose or any other lawful purpose consistent with the fund source and the general law powers of the budget unit.

In the preceding sentence, "Federal Funds" means any federal funding source, whether specifically identified or not specifically identified; "Other Funds" means all other fund sources except State Funds or Federal Funds, including without limitation Intra-State Government Transfers. This paragraph shall not permit an agency to include within its flex the appropriations for an agency attached to it for administrative purposes.

For purposes of the appropriations for the "Medicaid: Low-Income Medicaid," "Medicaid: Aged, Blind, and Disabled," and "PeachCare" programs of the Department of Community Health, the appropriation of a particular State fund source for each program shall be the amount stated, and each such program shall also be authorized up to an additional amount of 10 percent (10%) of the amount stated. However, if the additional authority is used, the appropriation of the same State fund source for the other programs to that agency shall be reduced in the same amount, such that the stated total in program appropriations from that State fund source for the three programs shall not be exceeded. However, the additional amount shall be from a State fund source which is lawfully available for the program to which it is added.

PART II

This Act shall become effective upon its approval by the Governor or upon its becoming law without such approval.

PART III

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

Representative England of the 116th moved that the House adopt the report of the Committee of Conference on HB 744.

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

Y Abrams	Y Coomer	N Gregory	Y McCall	Y Sims, C
Y Alexander	Y Cooper	Y Hamilton	Y McClain	Y Smith, E
Y Allison	Y Dawkins-Haigler	Y Harbin	Y Meadows	Y Smith, L

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

On the motion, the ayes were 174, nays 2.

The motion prevailed.

Representative O'Neal of the 146th announced the House in recess until 3:20 o'clock, this afternoon.

The Speaker called the House to order.

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

Mr. Speaker:

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

HB 645. By Representatives Dollar of the 45th, Taylor of the 173rd, Shaw of the 176th, Rogers of the 29th, Murphy of the 127th and others:

A BILL to be entitled an Act to amend Article 1 of Chapter 24 of Title 33 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to general provisions relating to insurance, so as to define certain terms; to provide for the electronic transmission of notices and documents from an insurer to a party to an insurance transaction; to provide for consent; to provide for applicability; to provide for verification and acknowledgment of receipt; to provide for notarized, acknowledged, verified documents and documents made under oath; to provide for oral statements; to provide for related matters; to repeal conflicting laws; and for other purposes.

HB 870. By Representatives Tanner of the 9th, Kidd of the 145th, Dickson of the 6th, Lumsden of the 12th and Cooper of the 43rd:

A BILL to be entitled an Act to amend Article 9 of Chapter 21 of Title 15 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to the Brain and Spinal Injury Trust Fund, so as to provide for the imposition of an additional fine for reckless driving; to provide for the disposition of such fine; to provide for related matters; to provide for a contingent effective date; to repeal conflicting laws; and for other purposes.

The Senate has adopted by substitute, by the requisite constitutional majority, the following resolution of the House:

HR 1183. By Representatives Tanner of the 9th, Kidd of the 145th, Dickson of the 6th, Lumsden of the 12th and Cooper of the 43rd:

A RESOLUTION proposing an amendment to the Constitution so as to provide that the General Assembly by general law may impose additional penalties or fees for the offense of reckless driving and may provide for the allocation of such additional penalties or fees to the Brain and Spinal Injury Trust Fund, as provided by law, for the specified purpose of meeting any and all costs, or any portion of the costs, of providing care and rehabilitative services to citizens of this state who have survived neurotrauma with head or spinal cord injuries; to provide for related matters; to provide for the submission of this amendment for ratification or rejection; and for other purposes.

The following Resolutions of the House were read and adopted:

HR 1931. By Representative Drenner of the 85th:

A RESOLUTION recognizing and commending Cheryl Miller in honor of Women's History Month 2014; and for other purposes.

HR 1932. By Representative Lumsden of the 12th:

A RESOLUTION commending Kay Bowman, Trion High School's 2014 STAR Teacher; and for other purposes.

HR 1933. By Representative Lumsden of the 12th:

A RESOLUTION commending Austin Wade Richardson, Trion High School's 2014 STAR Student; and for other purposes.

HR 1934. By Representative Lumsden of the 12th:

A RESOLUTION commending Karen Appelbaum, Chattooga County High School's 2014 STAR Teacher; and for other purposes.

HR 1935. By Representative Lumsden of the 12th:

A RESOLUTION commending Will Greer, Chattooga County High School's 2014 STAR Student; and for other purposes.

HR 1936. By Representative Epps of the 132nd:

A RESOLUTION recognizing and commending Wadley Chapel United Methodist Church; and for other purposes.

HR 1937. By Representative Epps of the 132nd:

A RESOLUTION recognizing and commending Mount Prospect Baptist Church; and for other purposes.

HR 1938. By Representative Epps of the 132nd:

A RESOLUTION recognizing and commending White Oak Grove Baptist Church; and for other purposes.

HR 1939. By Representatives Wilkerson of the 38th, Dickerson of the 113th, Teasley of the 37th, Fullerton of the 153rd, Smith of the 41st and others:

A RESOLUTION recognizing and commending the McEachern High School girls basketball team; and for other purposes.

HR 1940. By Representatives Wilkerson of the 38th, Evans of the 42nd, Morgan of the 39th, Abrams of the 89th, Teasley of the 37th and others:

A RESOLUTION recognizing and commending Reverend Steven L. Mints; and for other purposes.

HR 1941. By Representative Epps of the 132nd:

A RESOLUTION recognizing and commending Mount Olive United Methodist Church on the occasion of its 140th anniversary; and for other purposes.

HR 1942. By Representative Epps of the 132nd:

A RESOLUTION recognizing and commending Zion Hill Baptist Church; and for other purposes.

HR 1943. By Representative Epps of the 132nd:

A RESOLUTION recognizing and commending Reverend Dr. W. T. Edmondson; and for other purposes.

HR 1944. By Representative Epps of the 132nd:

A RESOLUTION recognizing and commending Bethlehem Baptist Church on the occasion of its 147th anniversary; and for other purposes.

HR 1945. By Representative Epps of the 132nd:

A RESOLUTION recognizing and commending White Plains United Methodist Church; and for other purposes.

HR 1946. By Representatives Taylor of the 79th, Riley of the 50th, Wilkinson of the 52nd and Geisinger of the 48th:

A RESOLUTION recognizing and commending Luisa Katharina Krey; and for other purposes.

HR 1947. By Representatives Taylor of the 79th, Riley of the 50th, Wilkinson of the 52nd, Stephens of the 164th, Ramsey of the 72nd and others:

A RESOLUTION recognizing and commending Ambassador Kenichiro Sasae; and for other purposes.

HR 1948. By Representatives Waites of the 60th and Scott of the 76th:

A RESOLUTION commending Andrea Conaway, Forest Park High School's 2014 Teacher of the Year; and for other purposes.

HR 1949. By Representatives Waites of the 60th and Scott of the 76th:

A RESOLUTION recognizing and commending A Touch of Warmth; and for other purposes.

HR 1950. By Representatives Waites of the 60th and Scott of the 76th:

A RESOLUTION commending Shonterria Stafford, Dobbs Elementary School's Student of the Month; and for other purposes.

HR 1951. By Representatives Waites of the 60th and Scott of the 76th:

A RESOLUTION commending Khaleelah Hudson, Dobbs Elementary School's 2014 Teacher of the Year; and for other purposes.

HR 1952. By Representatives Waites of the 60th and Scott of the 76th:

A RESOLUTION recognizing and commending Cynthia Strickland Jewell; and for other purposes.

HR 1953. By Representatives Holt of the 112th, Dickerson of the 113th, Rutledge of the 109th and Welch of the 110th:

A RESOLUTION honoring the life and memory of Roger Sheridan; and for other purposes.

HR 1954. By Representatives Holt of the 112th, Dickerson of the 113th, Rutledge of the 109th and Welch of the 110th:

A RESOLUTION honoring the life and memory of Charles Wilborn; and for other purposes.

HR 1955. By Representatives Stephens of the 165th, Gordon of the 163rd, Hitchens of the 161st, Stephens of the 164th, Watson of the 166th and others:

A RESOLUTION commending James William Putney, Jr.; and for other purposes.

HR 1956. By Representatives Stephens of the 165th, Hitchens of the 161st, Bryant of the 162nd, Gordon of the 163rd, Stephens of the 164th and others:

A RESOLUTION honoring the life and memory of Michael Joseph Manhatton; and for other purposes.

HR 1957. By Representatives Jackson of the 128th and Frazier of the 126th:

A RESOLUTION recognizing and commending the Stephens-Mason-Taylor-Ray family on the occasion of its 2014 reunion; and for other purposes.

HR 1958. By Representatives Jackson of the 128th and Frazier of the 126th:

A RESOLUTION commending Sallie Zeberlene Cobbins Adams; and for other purposes.

HR 1959. By Representative Allison of the 8th:

A RESOLUTION commending Jack S. Butler, II on his outstanding service and significant achievement being awarded the Silver Buffalo Award; and for other purposes.

HR 1960. By Representatives Dempsey of the 13th, Lumsden of the 12th and Coomer of the 14th:

A RESOLUTION commending Terrell Shaw, Armuchee High School's 2014 STAR Teacher; and for other purposes.

HR 1961. By Representatives Dempsey of the 13th, Lumsden of the 12th and Coomer of the 14th:

A RESOLUTION commending Haley Patterson, Armuchee High School's 2014 STAR Student; and for other purposes.

HR 1962. By Representatives Dempsey of the 13th, Lumsden of the 12th and Coomer of the 14th:

A RESOLUTION commending Bradford Poston, Unity Christian School's 2014 STAR Teacher; and for other purposes.

HR 1963. By Representatives Dempsey of the 13th, Lumsden of the 12th and Coomer of the 14th:

A RESOLUTION commending Jake Massingill, Unity Christian School's 2014 STAR Student; and for other purposes.

HR 1964. By Representatives Dempsey of the 13th, Lumsden of the 12th and Coomer of the 14th:

A RESOLUTION commending Joanna Chestnut, Rome High School's 2014 STAR Teacher; and for other purposes.

HR 1965. By Representatives Dempsey of the 13th, Lumsden of the 12th and Coomer of the 14th:

A RESOLUTION commending Lucy Lansing, Rome High School's and Rome City School System's 2014 STAR Student; and for other purposes.

HR 1966. By Representatives Dempsey of the 13th, Lumsden of the 12th and Coomer of the 14th:

A RESOLUTION commending Linda Casey, Pepperell High School's 2014 STAR Teacher; and for other purposes.

HR 1967. By Representatives Dempsey of the 13th, Lumsden of the 12th and Coomer of the 14th:

A RESOLUTION commending Kaitlyn Childers, Pepperell High School's 2014 STAR Student; and for other purposes.

HR 1968. By Representatives Dempsey of the 13th, Lumsden of the 12th and Coomer of the 14th:

A RESOLUTION commending Craig Schmidt, the Darlington School's 2014 STAR Teacher; and for other purposes.

HR 1969. By Representatives Dempsey of the 13th, Lumsden of the 12th and Coomer of the 14th:

A RESOLUTION commending Indra Sofian, the Darlington School's 2014 STAR Student; and for other purposes.

HR 1970. By Representatives Dempsey of the 13th, Lumsden of the 12th and Coomer of the 14th:

A RESOLUTION recognizing and commending Emily Mowery, Georgia's 2014 English Teacher of the Year; and for other purposes.

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

SB 381. By Senators Beach of the 21st, Staton of the 18th and Albers of the 56th:

A BILL to be entitled an Act to amend Code Section 38-3-57 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to the establishment of a standardized, verifiable, performance based unified incident command system for emergencies, so as to provide planning for first informer broadcasters in the unified incident command system and the Georgia Emergency Operations Plan; to provide a short title; to provide for definitions; 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.

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

Y Abrams	Y Coomer	Y Gregory	Y McCall	Y Sims, C
Y Alexander	Y Cooper	Y Hamilton	McClain	Y Smith, E
Y Allison	Y Dawkins-Haigler	Y Harbin	Y Meadows	Y Smith, L
Y Anderson	Y Deffenbaugh	Y Harden	E Mitchell	Y Smith, M
Y Atwood	Y Dempsey	Y Harrell	Y Moore	Y Smith, R
Y Ballinger	Y Dickerson	Y Hatchett	Y Morgan	Y Smyre
Y Barr	Y Dickey	Y Hawkins	Y Morris	Y Spencer
Y Battles	Y Dickson	Y Henson	Y Mosby	Y Stephens, M
E Beasley-Teague	Y Dollar	Y Hightower	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 Stover
Y Benton	Y Dukes	Y Holt	Y Pak	Y Strickland
Y Beverly	Y Dunahoo	Y Houston	Y Parrish	Y Talton
Y Black	Y Duncan	Y Howard	Y Parsons	Y Tankersley
Y Braddock	Y Dutton	Y Hugley	Y Peake	Y Tanner
Y Broadrick	Y Efstration	Y Jackson	Y Pezold	Y Tarvin
Y Brockway	Y Ehrhart	Y Jacobs	Y Powell, A	Y Taylor, D
Y Brooks	Y England	Y Jasperse	Y Powell, J	Y Taylor, T

Y Bruce	Y Epps, C	Y Jones, J	Y Prince	Y Teasley
Y Bryant	Y Epps, J	Y Jones, L	Y Pruett	Y Thomas, A.M.
Y Buckner	Y Evans	Y Jones, S	Y Quick	Y Turner
Y Burns	Y Fleming	Y Jordan	Y Ramsey	Y Waites
Y Caldwell, J	Y Floyd	Y Kaiser	Y Randall	Y Watson, B
Y Caldwell, M	Y Fludd	Y Kelley	Y Rice	Y Watson, S
Y Carson	Y Frazier	Y Kendrick	Y Riley	Y Welch
Y Carter	Y Frye	Y Kidd	Y Roberts	Y Weldon
Y Casas	Y Fullerton	Y Kirby	Y Rogers, C	Y Wilkerson
Y Chandler	Y Gardner	Y Knight	Y Rogers, T	Y Wilkinson
Y Channell	Y Gasaway	Y Lindsey	Y Rutledge	Y Willard
Y Chapman	Y Geisinger	Y Lumsden	Y Rynders	Y Williams, A
Y Cheokas	Y Glanton	Y Mabra	Y Scott	Y Williams, C
Y Clark, J	Y Golick	Y Marin	Y Setzler	Y Williams, E
Y Clark, V	Y Gordon	Y Martin	Y Sharper	Y Williamson
Y Coleman	Y Gravley	Y Maxwell	Y Shaw	Y Yates
Y Cooke	Y Greene	Y Mayo	Y Sims, B	Ralston, Speaker

On the passage of the Bill, the ayes were 176, nays 0.

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

SR 981. By Senators Unterman of the 45th, Hufstetler of the 52nd, Henson of the 41st, Millar of the 40th, Hill of the 32nd and others:

A RESOLUTION creating the Joint Study Committee on Violence Against Health Care Workers; and for other purposes.

The following amendment was read and adopted:

Representative Peake of the 141st et al. offer the following amendment:

Amend SR 981 (LC 37 1738) by striking line 1 and inserting in lieu thereof the following:
Creating certain joint study committees relating to health; and for other

By inserting "PART I." *between lines 2 and 3.*

By inserting after line 54 the following:

PART II.

WHEREAS, clinical research performed over the past decades continues to show benefits arising from certain forms of medical cannabis; and

WHEREAS, presently, there are in excess of one million United States medical cannabis patients, and an increasing number of physicians are recommending the therapeutic use of cannabis to their patients in accordance with their respective state laws; and

WHEREAS, new extracts and compounds have been developed demonstrating that cannabidiol, one of the most prevalent nonpsychoactive cannabinoids, has significant health and wellness benefits as shown by recent publication of the positive treatment of certain seizure disorders afflicting children; and

WHEREAS, the state's purpose in desiring to study this matter is the compassionate, potentially life-saving use of medical cannabis, and it is not the state's intent to sanction, encourage, or otherwise be construed as a movement in the direction of the legalization of the recreational use of cannabis or other controlled substances; and

WHEREAS, it would be beneficial to the children and families in this state to undertake a study of the prescriptive use of medical cannabis for serious medical condition to determine whether it would be appropriate to enact legislation making new provisions or changing provisions of current state law with regard to such prescriptive use.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF GEORGIA that there is created the Joint Study Committee on the Prescription of Medical Cannabis for Serious Medical Conditions to be composed of ten members as follows: four members of the House of Representatives to be appointed by the Speaker of the House of Representatives; four members of the Senate to be appointed by the President of the Senate; the chairman of the board or his or her designee of the Medical Association of Georgia; and the executive director or his or her designee of the Prosecuting Attorneys' Council of Georgia. The Speaker of the House of Representatives shall designate one of the appointees from the House of Representatives as a cochairperson, and the President of the Senate shall designate one of the appointees from the Senate as a cochairperson. The committee shall meet at the call of the cochairpersons.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the committee shall undertake a study of the issues raised herein or related thereto and recommend any action or legislation which the committee deems necessary or appropriate. The committee may conduct such meetings at such places and at such times as it may deem necessary or convenient to enable it to exercise fully and effectively its powers, perform its duties, and accomplish the objectives and purposes of this resolution. The legislative members of the committee shall receive the allowances authorized for legislative members of interim legislative committees but shall receive the same for not more than five days unless additional days are authorized. The public members of the committee who are not public employees shall receive from legislative funds a daily expense allowance as provided in subsection (b) of Code Section 45-7-21 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated. Any public employees who are members of the committee shall receive no compensation from legislative funds but may be reimbursed for expenses by their employers. The funds necessary to carry out the provisions of this part shall come from the funds appropriated to the Senate and the House of Representatives. In the event the committee makes a report of its findings and recommendations, with suggestions for proposed legislation, if

any, such report shall be made on or before December 1, 2014, at which time the committee shall stand abolished.

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

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

Y Abrams	Y Coomer	N Gregory	Y McCall	Y Sims, C
Y Alexander	Y Cooper	Y Hamilton	Y McClain	Y Smith, E
Y Allison	Y Dawkins-Haigler	Y Harbin	Y Meadows	Y Smith, L
Y Anderson	Y Deffenbaugh	Y Harden	E Mitchell	Y Smith, M
Y Atwood	Y Dempsey	Y Harrell	N Moore	Y Smith, R
Y Ballinger	Y Dickerson	Hatchett	Y Morgan	Y Smyre
Y Barr	Y Dickey	Y Hawkins	Morris	Y Spencer
Y Battles	Y Dickson	Y Henson	Y Mosby	Y Stephens, M
E Beasley-Teague	Y Dollar	Y Hightower	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 Stover
Y Benton	Y Dukes	Y Holt	Y Pak	Y Strickland
Y Beverly	Y Dunahoo	Y Houston	Y Parrish	Y Talton
Y Black	Y Duncan	Y Howard	Y Parsons	Y Tankersley
Y Braddock	Y Dutton	Y Hugley	Y Peake	Y Tanner
Y Broadrick	Y Efstration	Y Jackson	Y Pezold	Y Tarvin
Y Brockway	Ehrhart	Y Jacobs	Y Powell, A	Y Taylor, D
Y Brooks	Y England	Y Jasperse	Y Powell, J	Y Taylor, T
Y Bruce	Y Epps, C	Y Jones, J	Y Prince	Y Teasley
Y Bryant	Y Epps, J	Y Jones, L	Pruett	Y Thomas, A.M.
Y Buckner	Y Evans	Y Jones, S	Y Quick	Y Turner
Y Burns	Y Fleming	Y Jordan	Y Ramsey	Y Waites
Y Caldwell, J	Y Floyd	Y Kaiser	Y Randall	Y Watson, B
Y Caldwell, M	Y Fludd	Y Kelley	Y Rice	Y Watson, S
Y Carson	Y Frazier	Y Kendrick	Y Riley	Y Welch
Y Carter	Y Frye	Y Kidd	Y Roberts	Y Weldon
Y Casas	Y Fullerton	Y Kirby	Y Rogers, C	Y Wilkerson
Y Chandler	Y Gardner	Y Knight	Y Rogers, T	Y Wilkinson
Y Channell	Y Gasaway	Y Lindsey	Y Rutledge	Y Willard
Y Chapman	Y Geisinger	Y Lumsden	Y Rynders	Y Williams, A
Y Cheokas	Y Glanton	Y Mabra	Y Scott	Y Williams, C
Y Clark, J	Y Golick	Y Marin	Y Setzler	Y Williams, E
Y Clark, V	Y Gordon	Y Martin	Y Sharper	Y Williamson
Y Coleman	Y Gravley	Y Maxwell	Y Shaw	Y Yates
Y Cooke	Y Greene	Y Mayo	Y Sims, B	Ralston, Speaker

On the adoption of the Resolution, as amended, the ayes were 171, nays 2.

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

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

Mr. Speaker:

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

HB 291. By Representatives Knight of the 130th, Peake of the 141st, Mosby of the 83rd, Riley of the 50th, Carson of the 46th and others:

A BILL to be entitled an Act to amend Title 43 of the O.C.G.A., relating to professions and businesses, so as to provide that the State Board of Accountancy is an independent state agency attached to the Secretary of State for administrative purposes only; to provide the powers and duties of the board; to amend Code Section 24-5-501 of the O.C.G.A., relating to certain communications as privileged, so as to correct a cross-reference; to amend Code Section 36-81-8.1 of the O.C.G.A., relating to definitions, grant certification forms, filings with the state auditor, forfeiture of funds for noncompliance, and no exemption from liability relative to local government budgets and audits, so as to correct a cross-reference; to provide for related matters; to repeal conflicting laws; and for other purposes.

HB 810. By Representatives Chandler of the 105th, Clark of the 101st, Ramsey of the 72nd, Teasley of the 37th, Pezold of the 133rd and others:

A BILL to be entitled an Act to amend Part 7 of Article 7 of Chapter 3 of Title 20 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to HOPE scholarships and grants, so as to revise requirements for home study students regarding scores on a standardized college admission test; to provide for related matters; to repeal conflicting laws; and for other purposes.

HB 835. By Representatives Broadrick of the 4th, Stephens of the 164th, Watson of the 166th, Gravley of the 67th and Weldon of the 3rd:

A BILL to be entitled an Act to amend Chapter 13 of Title 16 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to controlled substances, so as to change certain provisions relating to Schedules I, III, and IV controlled substances; to change certain provisions relating to the definition of "dangerous drug"; to provide for an effective date; to repeal conflicting laws; and for other purposes.

HB 940. By Representatives Willard of the 51st, Smith of the 134th and Morris of the 156th:

A BILL to be entitled an Act to amend an Act providing for an additional judge of the Chattahoochee Judicial Circuit and Oconee Judicial Circuit, approved May 6, 2013 (Ga. L. 2013, p. 570), so as to change the date of election of such additional judges; to repeal conflicting laws; and for other purposes.

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

HB 741. By Representatives Tanner of the 9th, Tankersley of the 160th, Gasaway of the 28th, Powell of the 171st, Smith of the 70th and others:

A BILL to be entitled an Act to amend Chapter 5 of Title 12 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to water resources, so as to revise certain requirements related to issuance of sludge land application permits; to require consistency with existing local zoning ordinances; to require that public hearings be held within jurisdiction of the governing authority where the proposed land application site is located; to provide for an effective date; to provide for related matters; to repeal conflicting laws; and for other purposes.

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

SR 415. By Senators Shafer of the 48th, Chance of the 16th, Staton of the 18th, Miller of the 49th, Hill of the 32nd and others:

A RESOLUTION proposing an amendment to the Constitution so as to prohibit raising the rate of state income taxes currently in effect; to provide for submission of this amendment for ratification or rejection; and for other purposes.

The following Committee substitute was read and adopted:

A RESOLUTION

Proposing an amendment to the Constitution so as to prohibit the General Assembly from increasing the maximum state income tax rate; to provide for submission of this amendment for ratification or rejection; and for other purposes.

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF GEORGIA:

SECTION 1.

Article VII, Section III of the Constitution is amended by adding a new Paragraph to read as follows:

"Paragraph IV. ***Increase in state income tax rate prohibited.*** The General Assembly shall not increase the maximum marginal rate of the state income tax above that in effect on January 1, 2015."

SECTION 2.

The above proposed amendment to the Constitution shall be published and submitted as provided in Article X, Section I, Paragraph II of the Constitution. The ballot submitting the above proposed amendment shall have written or printed thereon the following:

"( ) YES Shall the Constitution of Georgia be amended to prohibit the General
( ) NO Assembly from increasing the maximum state income tax rate?"

All persons desiring to vote in favor of ratifying the proposed amendment shall vote "Yes." All persons desiring to vote against ratifying the proposed amendment shall vote "No." If such amendment shall be ratified as provided in said Paragraph of the Constitution, it shall become a part of the Constitution of this state.

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

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

N Abrams	Y Coomer	Y Gregory	Y McCall	N Sims, C
N Alexander	Y Cooper	Y Hamilton	N McClain	N Smith, E
Y Allison	N Dawkins-Haigler	Harbin	Y Meadows	Y Smith, L
N Anderson	Y Deffenbaugh	Y Harden	E Mitchell	N Smith, M
Y Atwood	Y Dempsey	Y Harrell	Y Moore	Y Smith, R
Y Ballinger	N Dickerson	Y Hatchett	N Morgan	N Smyre
Y Barr	Y Dickey	Y Hawkins	Y Morris	Y Spencer
Y Battles	Y Dickson	N Henson	N Mosby	N Stephens, M
E Beasley-Teague	Y Dollar	Y Hightower	Y Nimmer	Y Stephens, R
N Bell	N Douglas	Y Hitchens	Y Nix	N Stephenson
N Bennett	N Drenner	N Holcomb	N Oliver	N Stovall
N Bentley	Y Dudgeon	Y Holmes	Y O'Neal	Y Stover
Y Benton	N Dukes	Y Holt	Y Pak	Y Strickland
N Beverly	Y Dunahoo	Y Houston	Y Parrish	Y Talton
Y Black	Y Duncan	Howard	Y Parsons	Y Tankersley
Y Braddock	Y Dutton	N Hugley	Y Peake	Y Tanner
Y Broadrick	Y Efstration	N Jackson	Y Pezold	Y Tarvin
Y Brockway	Y Ehrhart	Y Jacobs	Y Powell, A	Y Taylor, D
Y Brooks	Y England	Y Jasperse	Y Powell, J	Y Taylor, T
N Bruce	N Epps, C	Y Jones, J	N Prince	Y Teasley
N Bryant	Y Epps, J	Jones, L	Y Pruett	N Thomas, A.M.

N Buckner	N Evans	N Jones, S	Y Quick	Y Turner
Y Burns	Y Fleming	N Jordan	Y Ramsey	N Waites
Y Caldwell, J	Y Floyd	N Kaiser	N Randall	Y Watson, B
Y Caldwell, M	N Fludd	Y Kelley	Y Rice	Y Watson, S
Y Carson	N Frazier	N Kendrick	Y Riley	Y Welch
Y Carter	N Frye	Y Kidd	Y Roberts	Y Weldon
Y Casas	N Fullerton	Y Kirby	Y Rogers, C	N Wilkerson
Y Chandler	N Gardner	Y Knight	Y Rogers, T	Y Wilkinson
Y Channell	Y Gasaway	Y Lindsey	Y Rutledge	Y Willard
Y Chapman	Y Geisinger	Y Lumsden	Y Rynders	N Williams, A
Y Cheokas	N Glanton	Mabra	N Scott	Y Williams, C
Y Clark, J	Y Golick	N Marin	Y Setzler	N Williams, E
Y Clark, V	N Gordon	Y Martin	N Sharper	Y Williamson
Y Coleman	Y Gravley	Y Maxwell	Y Shaw	Y Yates
Y Cooke	Y Greene	N Mayo	Y Sims, B	Ralston, Speaker

On the adoption of the Resolution, by substitute, the ayes were 119, nays 54.

The chair voted "aye."

On the adoption of the Resolution, the ayes were 120, nays 54.

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

Representative Abrams of the 89th moved that the House reconsider its action in giving the requisite constitutional majority to SR 415.

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

Y Abrams	N Coomer	N Gregory	N McCall	N Sims, C
Y Alexander	N Cooper	N Hamilton	Y McClain	Y Smith, E
N Allison	Y Dawkins-Haigler	Harbin	N Meadows	N Smith, L
Y Anderson	N Deffenbaugh	N Harden	E Mitchell	Y Smith, M
N Atwood	N Dempsey	N Harrell	N Moore	N Smith, R
N Ballinger	Y Dickerson	N Hatchett	Y Morgan	Smyre
N Barr	N Dickey	N Hawkins	N Morris	N Spencer
N Battles	N Dickson	Y Henson	Y Mosby	Y Stephens, M
E Beasley-Teague	N Dollar	N Hightower	N Nimmer	Stephens, R
Y Bell	Y Douglas	N Hitchens	N Nix	Y Stephenson
Y Bennett	Y Drenner	Y Holcomb	Y Oliver	Y Stovall
Y Bentley	N Dudgeon	N Holmes	N O'Neal	N Stover
N Benton	Y Dukes	N Holt	N Pak	N Strickland
Y Beverly	N Dunahoo	N Houston	N Parrish	N Talton
N Black	N Duncan	Y Howard	N Parsons	N Tankersley
N Braddock	N Dutton	Y Hugley	N Peake	N Tanner
N Broadrick	N Efstration	Y Jackson	N Pezold	N Tarvin
N Brockway	N Ehrhart	N Jacobs	N Powell, A	N Taylor, D
N Brooks	N England	N Jasperse	N Powell, J	N Taylor, T
Y Bruce	Y Epps, C	N Jones, J	Y Prince	N Teasley
Y Bryant	N Epps, J	Y Jones, L	N Pruett	Y Thomas, A.M.

Y Buckner	Y Evans	Y Jones, S	N Quick	N Turner
N Burns	N Fleming	Y Jordan	N Ramsey	Y Waites
N Caldwell, J	Y Floyd	Y Kaiser	Y Randall	N Watson, B
N Caldwell, M	Y Fludd	N Kelley	N Rice	N Watson, S
N Carson	Y Frazier	Y Kendrick	N Riley	N Welch
N Carter	Y Frye	N Kidd	N Roberts	N Weldon
N Casas	Y Fullerton	N Kirby	N Rogers, C	Y Wilkerson
N Chandler	Y Gardner	N Knight	N Rogers, T	N Wilkinson
N Channell	N Gasaway	N Lindsey	N Rutledge	N Willard
N Chapman	N Geisinger	N Lumsden	N Rynders	Y Williams, A
N Cheokas	Y Glanton	Mabra	Y Scott	N Williams, C
N Clark, J	N Golick	Y Marin	N Setzler	Y Williams, E
N Clark, V	Y Gordon	N Martin	Y Sharper	N Williamson
N Coleman	N Gravley	N Maxwell	N Shaw	N Yates
N Cooke	N Greene	Y Mayo	N Sims, B	Ralston, Speaker

On the motion, the ayes were 55, nays 118.

The motion was lost.

SB 352. By Senators Unterman of the 45th, Butler of the 55th and Millar of the 40th:

A BILL to be entitled an Act to amend Title 31 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to health, so as to create the Georgia Council on Lupus Education and Awareness; to provide for legislative findings; to provide for assignment to the Department of Community Health; to provide for membership; to provide for terms of office; to provide for duties and responsibilities; to provide for a directory; to provide for reporting; to provide for related matters; to repeal conflicting laws; and for other purposes.

An amendment by Representative Spencer of the 180th was withdrawn.

The following amendment was read and adopted:

Representative Kelley of the 16th offers the following amendment:

*Amend SB 352 (LC 37 1667) by deleting "*To*" on line 1 and inserting in lieu thereof the following:*
To amend Code Section 31-2-4 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to the powers, duties, functions, and responsibilities of the Department of Community Health, so as to authorize the department to approve medical-legal partnerships; to provide for standards and guidelines; to provide for statutory construction; to

By inserting between lines 7 and 8 the following:

SECTION 1.

Code Section 31-2-4 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to the powers, duties, functions, and responsibilities of the Department of Community Health, is amended by revising subsection (d) as follows:

"(d) In addition to its other powers, duties, and functions, the department:

(1) Shall be the lead agency in coordinating and purchasing health care benefit plans for state and public employees, dependents, and retirees and may also coordinate with the board of regents for the purchase and administration of such health care benefit plans for its members, employees, dependents, and retirees;

(2) Is authorized to plan and coordinate medical education and physician work force issues;

(3) Shall investigate the lack of availability of health insurance coverage and the issues associated with the uninsured population of this state. In particular, the department is authorized to investigate the feasibility of creating and administering insurance programs for small businesses and political subdivisions of the state and to propose cost-effective solutions to reducing the numbers of uninsured in this state;

(4) Is authorized to appoint a health care work force policy advisory committee to oversee and coordinate work force planning activities;

(5) Is authorized to solicit and accept donations, contributions, and gifts and receive, hold, and use grants, devises, and bequests of real, personal, and mixed property on behalf of the state to enable the department to carry out its functions and purposes;

(6) Is authorized to award grants, as funds are available, to hospital authorities, ~~and~~ hospitals, and medical-legal partnerships for public health purposes, pursuant to Code Sections 31-7-94 and 31-7-94.1 and paragraph (11) of this subsection;

(7) Shall make provision for meeting the cost of hospital care of persons eligible for public assistance to the extent that federal matching funds are available for such expenditures for hospital care. To accomplish this purpose, the department is authorized to pay from funds appropriated for such purposes the amount required under this paragraph into a trust fund account which shall be available for disbursement for the cost of hospital care of public assistance recipients. The commissioner, subject to the approval of the Office of Planning and Budget, on the basis of the funds appropriated in any year, shall estimate the scope of hospital care available to public assistance recipients and the approximate per capita cost of such care. Monthly payments into the trust fund for hospital care shall be made on behalf of each public assistance recipient and such payments shall be deemed encumbered for assistance payable. Ledger accounts reflecting payments into and out of the hospital care fund shall be maintained for each of the categories of public assistance established under Code Section 49-4-3. The balance of state funds in such trust fund for the payment of hospital costs in an amount not to exceed the amount of federal funds held in the trust fund by the department available for expenditure under this paragraph shall be deemed encumbered and held in trust for the payment of the costs of hospital care and shall be rebudgeted for this purpose on each quarterly budget required under the laws governing the expenditure of state funds. The state auditor

shall audit the funds in the trust fund established under this paragraph in the same manner that any other funds disbursed by the department are audited;

(8) Shall classify and license community living arrangements in accordance with the rules and regulations promulgated by the department for the licensing and enforcement of licensing requirements for persons whose services are financially supported, in whole or in part, by funds authorized through the Department of Behavioral Health and Developmental Disabilities. To be eligible for licensing as a community living arrangement, the residence and services provided must be integrated within the local community. All community living arrangements licensed by the department shall be subject to the provisions of Code Sections 31-2-8 and 31-7-2.2. No person, business entity, corporation, or association, whether operated for profit or not for profit, may operate a community living arrangement without first obtaining a license or provisional license from the department. A license issued pursuant to this paragraph is not assignable or transferable. As used in this paragraph, the term 'community living arrangement' means any residence, whether operated for profit or not, which undertakes through its ownership or management to provide or arrange for the provision of housing, food, one or more personal services, support, care, or treatment exclusively for two or more persons who are not related to the owner or administrator of the residence by blood or marriage;

(9) Shall establish, by rule adopted pursuant to Chapter 13 of Title 50, the 'Georgia Administrative Procedure Act,' a schedule of fees for licensure activities for institutions and other health care related entities required to be licensed, permitted, registered, or commissioned by the department pursuant to Chapter 7, 13, 23, or 44 of this title, Chapter 5 of Title 26, paragraph (8) of this subsection, or Article 7 of Chapter 6 of Title 49. Such schedules shall be determined in a manner so as to help defray the costs incurred by the department, but in no event to exceed such costs, both direct and indirect, in providing such licensure activities. Such fees may be annually adjusted by the department but shall not be increased by more than the annual rate of inflation as measured by the Consumer Price Index, as reported by the Bureau of Labor Statistics of the United States Department of Labor. All fees paid thereunder shall be paid into the general funds of the State of Georgia. It is the intent of the General Assembly that the proceeds from all fees imposed pursuant to this paragraph be used to support and improve the quality of licensing services provided by the department; ~~and~~

(10)(A) May accept the certification or accreditation of an entity or program by a certification or accreditation body, in accordance with specific standards, as evidence of compliance by the entity or program with the substantially equivalent departmental requirements for issuance or renewal of a permit or provisional permit, provided that such certification or accreditation is established prior to the issuance or renewal of such permits. The department may not require an additional departmental inspection of any entity or program whose certification or accreditation has been accepted by the department, except to the extent that such specific standards are less rigorous or less comprehensive than departmental

requirements. Nothing in this Code section shall prohibit either departmental inspections for violations of such standards or requirements or the revocation of or refusal to issue or renew permits, as authorized by applicable law, or for violation of any other applicable law or regulation pursuant thereto.

(B) For purposes of this paragraph, the term:

(i) 'Entity or program' means an agency, center, facility, institution, community living arrangement, drug abuse treatment and education program, or entity subject to regulation by the department under Chapters 7, 13, 22, 23, and 44 of this title; Chapter 5 of Title 26; paragraph (8) of this subsection; and Article 7 of Chapter 6 of Title 49.

(ii) 'Permit' means any license, permit, registration, or commission issued by the department pursuant to the provisions of the law cited in division (i) of this subparagraph; and

(11)(A) Is authorized to approve medical-legal partnerships that comply with standards and guidelines established for such programs for purposes of determining eligibility for grants. The department shall seek input from legal services organizations, community health advocacy organizations, hospitals, diagnostic and treatment centers, and other primary and specialty health care providers in establishing such standards and guidelines.

(B) For purposes of this paragraph, the term 'medical-legal partnership' means a program conducted or established by a nonprofit entity through a collaboration pursuant to a written agreement between one or more medical service providers and one or more legal services programs, including those based within a law school, to provide legal services without charge to assist income-eligible individuals and their families in resolving legal matters or other needs that have an impact on the health of such individuals and families. Written agreements may include a memorandum of understanding or other agreement relating to the operations of the partnership and encompassing the rights and responsibilities of each party thereto. The medical service provider or providers may provide referrals of its patients to the legal services program or programs on matters that may potentially impact the health, health care, or the health care costs of a patient.

(C) A medical-legal partnership that complies with the standards and guidelines established pursuant to this paragraph and has demonstrated the ability and experience to provide high quality patient centered legal services regarding legal matters or other needs that have an impact on the health of individuals and families shall be approved by the department.

(D) This paragraph shall not be construed to require any medical-legal partnership or similar entity to seek or attain approval pursuant to this paragraph in order to operate."

By renumbering Sections 1 and 2 as Sections 2 and 3, respectively.

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

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

Abrams	N Coomer	N Gregory	Y McCall	Y Sims, C
Y Alexander	Y Cooper	Y Hamilton	Y McClain	Y Smith, E
N Allison	Y Dawkins-Haigler	Y Harbin	Y Meadows	Y Smith, L
Y Anderson	Y Deffenbaugh	Y Harden	E Mitchell	Y Smith, M
Y Atwood	Y Dempsey	Y Harrell	N Moore	Y Smith, R
Y Ballinger	Y Dickerson	Y Hatchett	Y Morgan	Y Smyre
Y Barr	Y Dickey	Y Hawkins	Y Morris	N Spencer
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E Beasley-Teague	Y Dollar	Y Hightower	Y Nimmer	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	N Stover
E Benton	Y Dukes	Y Holt	N Pak	Y Strickland
Beverly	Y Dunahoo	Y Houston	Y Parrish	Y Talton
Y Black	Y Duncan	Y Howard	Y Parsons	Y Tankersley
N Braddock	Y Dutton	Y Hugley	Y Peake	Y Tanner
Y Broadrick	Y Efstration	Y Jackson	N Pezold	N Tarvin
Y Brockway	Y Ehrhart	Y Jacobs	Y Powell, A	Y Taylor, D
Y Brooks	Y England	Y Jasperse	Y Powell, J	Y Taylor, T
Y Bruce	Y Epps, C	Y Jones, J	Y Prince	Y Teasley
Y Bryant	Y Epps, J	Y Jones, L	Y Pruett	Y Thomas, A.M.
Y Buckner	Y Evans	Y Jones, S	Y Quick	N Turner
Y Burns	Fleming	Y Jordan	Y Ramsey	Y Waites
Y Caldwell, J	Y Floyd	Y Kaiser	Y Randall	Y Watson, B
N Caldwell, M	Y Fludd	Y Kelley	Y Rice	Y Watson, S
Y Carson	Y Frazier	Y Kendrick	Y Riley	Y Welch
Y Carter	Y Frye	Y Kidd	Y Roberts	Y Weldon
Y Casas	Y Fullerton	Y Kirby	Y Rogers, C	Y Wilkerson
Y Chandler	Y Gardner	Y Knight	Y Rogers, T	Y Wilkinson
Y Channell	Y Gasaway	Y Lindsey	Y Rutledge	Y Willard
Y Chapman	Y Geisinger	Y Lumsden	Y Rynders	Y Williams, A
Y Cheokas	Y Glanton	Y Mabra	Y Scott	Y Williams, C
Clark, J	Y Golick	Y Marin	Y Setzler	Y Williams, E
Y Clark, V	Y Gordon	Y Martin	Y Sharper	Y Williamson
Y Coleman	Y Gravley	Y Maxwell	Y Shaw	Y Yates
Y Cooke	Y Greene	Y Mayo	Y Sims, B	Ralston, Speaker

On the passage of the Bill, as amended, the ayes were 159, nays 12.

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

SB 364. By Senators Stone of the 23rd, Bethel of the 54th, Jackson of the 24th, Miller of the 49th, Crosby of the 13th and others:

A BILL to be entitled an Act to amend Chapter 11 of Title 15 and Part 1 of Article 2 of Chapter 13 of Title 16 of the O.C.G.A., relating to the Juvenile Code and schedules, offenses, and penalties, respectively, so as to revise and correct errors or omissions in furtherance of the work of the Georgia Council on Criminal Justice Reform to recommend legislation; to amend Code Section 19-7-1 of the O.C.G.A., relating to in whom parental power lies and how such power may be lost, so as to correct a cross-reference; to provide for related matters; to provide for effective dates; to repeal conflicting laws; and for other purposes.

The following Committee substitute was read:

A BILL TO BE ENTITLED
AN ACT

To amend Chapter 11 of Title 15 and Part 1 of Article 2 of Chapter 13 of Title 16 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to the Juvenile Code and schedules, offenses, and penalties, respectively, so as to revise and correct errors or omissions in furtherance of the work of the Georgia Council on Criminal Justice Reform to recommend legislation; to repeal portions of the Juvenile Code which conflict with other provisions of the Code; to revise definitions; to provide conformity within the Juvenile Code and with federal law; to correct cross-references; to change time frames for certain proceedings; to change provisions relating to the duties and responsibilities of a CASA; to amend Code Section 19-7-1 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to in whom parental power lies and how such power may be lost, so as to correct a cross-reference; to revise a definition relating to purchase, possession, or having control of controlled substances or marijuana; to clarify provisions relating to earned time and parole for persons convicted of trafficking in certain drugs; to provide for related matters; to provide for effective dates; to provide for applicability; to repeal conflicting laws; and for other purposes.

BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF GEORGIA:

PART I
SECTION 1-1.

Chapter 11 of Title 15 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to the Juvenile Code, is amended by revising paragraphs (5), (10), (39), subparagraph (F) of paragraph (43), (52), and (71) of Code Section 15-11-2, relating to definitions, as follows:

"(5) 'Aggravated circumstances' means the parent has:

(A) Abandoned ~~an infant~~ a child;

(B) Aided or abetted, attempted, conspired, or solicited to commit murder or voluntary manslaughter of another child of such parent ~~Attempted, conspired to attempt, or has subjected a child or his or her sibling to death or great bodily harm~~;

(C) Subjected ~~Attempted, conspired to attempt, or has subjected~~ a child or his or her sibling to torture, chronic abuse, sexual abuse, or sexual exploitation; ~~or~~

(D) Committed the murder or voluntary manslaughter of his or her child's other parent or has been convicted of aiding or abetting, attempting, conspiring, or soliciting the murder or voluntary manslaughter of his or her child's other parent;

(E) Committed the murder or voluntary manslaughter of another child of such parent; or

(F) Committed an assault that resulted in serious bodily injury to his or her child or another child of such parent."

"(10) 'Child' means any individual who is:

(A) Under the age of 18 years;

(B) Under the age of 17 years when alleged to have committed a delinquent act;

(C) Under the age of 22 years and in the care of DFCS as a result of being adjudicated dependent before reaching 18 years of age;

(D) Under the age of 23 years and eligible for and receiving independent living services through DFCS as a result of being adjudicated dependent before reaching 18 years of age; or

(E) Under the age of 21 years who committed an act of delinquency before reaching the age of 17 years and who has been placed under the supervision of the court or on probation to the court for the purpose of enforcing orders of the court."

"(39) 'Informal adjustment' means the disposition of a case other than by formal adjudication and disposition."

"(F) Has legitimated a child pursuant to Code Section ~~19-7-22.1~~ 19-7-21.1."

"(52) 'Party' means the state, a child, parent, guardian, legal custodian, or other person subject to any judicial proceeding under this chapter; provided, however, that for purposes of ~~Article~~ Articles 5 and 6 of this chapter, only a child and the state shall be a party."

"(71) 'Sibling' means a person with whom a child shares a biological father or one or both parents in common by blood, adoption, or marriage, even if the marriage was terminated by death or dissolution."

SECTION 1-2.

Said chapter is further amended by revising subsection (a) of Code Section 15-11-5, relating to computation of time, as follows:

"(a) When a period of time measured in days, weeks, months, years, or other measurements of time ~~except hours~~ is prescribed for the exercise of any privilege or the discharge of any duty, the first day shall not be counted but the last day shall be counted; and, if the last day falls on a weekend, the party having such privilege or duty shall have through the following business day to exercise such privilege or discharge such duty."

SECTION 1-3.

Said chapter is further amended by revising subparagraph (F) of paragraph (1) and subparagraph (D) of paragraph (2) of Code Section 15-11-10, relating to exclusive original jurisdiction, as follows:

"(F) Has been placed under the supervision of the court or on probation to the court; provided, however, that such jurisdiction shall be for the purpose of completing, effectuating, and enforcing such supervision or a probation begun either prior to such child's seventeenth birthday if the order is entered as a disposition for an adjudication for delinquency or prior to such child's eighteenth birthday if the order is entered for an adjudication for a child in need of services;"

"(D) For the termination of the legal parent-child relationship and the rights of the biological father who is not the legal father of the child in accordance with Article ~~2~~ 4 of this chapter; provided, however, that such jurisdiction shall not affect the superior court's exclusive jurisdiction to terminate the legal parent-child relationship and the rights of a biological father who is not the legal father of the child as set forth in Chapters 6 through 9 of Title 19;"

SECTION 1-4.

Said chapter is further amended by revising paragraph (3) of subsection (a) of Code Section 15-11-16, relating to commencement of proceedings, as follows:

"(3) By the filing of a petition for legitimation under Code Section 15-11-11, or in other cases by the filing of a complaint or a petition as provided in Articles 3, 4, 6, 7, ~~9~~ 8, and ~~11~~ 10 of this chapter."

SECTION 1-5.

Said chapter is further amended by adding a new subsection to Code Section 15-11-32, relating to modification or vacation of orders, as follows:

"(g) This Code section is intended to be retroactive and shall apply to any child who is under the jurisdiction of the court at the time of a hearing, regardless of the date of the original delinquency order."

SECTION 1-6.

Said chapter is further amended by revising subsection (c) of Code Section 15-11-38, relating to community based risk reduction programs, as follows:

"(c) As part of an early intervention program, the court may enter into protocol agreements with school systems within the court's jurisdiction, the county ~~department~~ division of family and children services, the county department of health, DJJ, any state or local department or agency, any mental health agency or institution, local physicians or health care providers, licensed counselors and social workers, and any other social service, charitable, or other entity or any other agency or individual providing educational or treatment services to families and children within the jurisdiction of the court. Such protocol agreements shall authorize the exchange of confidential

information in the same manner and subject to the same restrictions, conditions, and penalties as provided in Code Section 15-11-40."

SECTION 1-7.

Said chapter is further amended by revising paragraph (14) of subsection (c) of Code Section 15-11-105, relating to powers and duties of guardian ad litem, as follows:

"(14) Attend judicial citizen panel review hearings concerning such child and if unable to attend the hearings, forward to the panel a letter setting forth such child's status during the period since the last judicial citizen panel review and include an assessment of the DFCS permanency and treatment plans;"

SECTION 1-8.

Said chapter is further amended by revising subsection (c) of Code Section 15-11-110, relating to continuance of hearing in dependency proceedings, as follows:

"(c) A stipulation between attorneys or the convenience of the parties shall not constitute good cause. Except as otherwise provided by judicial rules governing attorney conflict resolution, a pending criminal prosecution or family law matter shall not constitute good cause. The need for discovery shall not constitute good cause unless the court finds that a person or entity has failed to comply with an order for discovery."

SECTION 1-9.

Said chapter is further amended by revising subsections (c) and (e) of Code Section 15-11-135, relating to placement in eligible foster care, as follows:

"(c) An alleged dependent child may be placed in foster care only in:

(1) A licensed or approved foster home or a home approved by the court which may be a public or private home ~~or the~~;

(2) The home of the child's noncustodial parent ~~or~~;

(3) The home of a relative;

(4) The home of fictive kin;

~~(2)~~(5) A facility operated by a licensed child welfare agency; or

~~(3)~~(6) A licensed shelter care facility approved by the court."

"(e) In any case in which a child is taken into protective custody of DFCS, such child shall be placed together with his or her siblings who are also in protective custody or DFCS shall include a statement in its report and case plan of continuing efforts to place the siblings together or ~~why such efforts are not appropriate~~ document why such joint placement would be contrary to the safety or well-being of any of the siblings. If siblings are not placed together, DFCS shall provide for frequent visitation or other ongoing interaction between siblings, unless DFCS documents that such frequent visitation or other ongoing interaction would be contrary to the safety or well-being of any of the siblings."

SECTION 1-10.

Said chapter is further amended by revising Code Section 15-11-150, relating to the authority to file a petition for dependency, as follows:

"15-11-150.

A DFCS employee, a law enforcement officer, or any person who has actual knowledge of the abuse, neglect, or abandonment of a child or is informed of the abuse, neglect, or abandonment of a child that he or she believes to be truthful may make a petition alleging dependency. Such petition shall not be accepted for filing unless the court or a person authorized by the court has determined and endorsed on the petition that the filing of the petition is in the best interests of the public and such child."

SECTION 1-11.

Said chapter is further amended by revising paragraph (14) of subsection (b) of Code Section 15-11-201, relating to DFCS case plan, as follows:

"(14) A recommendation for a permanency plan for such child. If, after considering reunification, adoptive placement, or permanent guardianship, DFCS recommends placement in another planned permanent living arrangement, the case plan shall include documentation of a compelling reason or reasons why reunification, termination of parental rights, adoptive placement, or permanent guardianship are ~~is~~ not in the child's best interests. For purposes of this paragraph, a 'compelling reason' shall have the same meaning as in paragraph (2) of subsection (b) of Code Section 15-11-233;"

SECTION 1-12.

Said chapter is further amended by revising paragraph (1) of subsection (c) of Code Section 15-11-210, relating to disposition hearings, as follows:

"(1) The social study report as provided for in Code Section 15-11-191, if applicable, ~~made by DFCS~~ and the child adjudicated as a dependent child's proposed written case plan. The social study report and case plan shall be filed with the court not less than 48 hours before the disposition hearing;"

SECTION 1-13.

Said chapter is further amended by revising subsections (c) through (e) of Code Section 15-11-211, relating to relative search by DFCS, as follows:

"~~(c) A diligent search shall be completed by DFCS before final disposition.~~

~~(d)~~(c) All adult relatives of the alleged dependent child identified in a diligent search required by this Code section, subject to exceptions due to family or domestic violence, shall be provided with notice:

(1) Specifying that an alleged dependent child has been or is being removed from his or her parental custody;

(2) Explaining the options a relative has to participate in the care and placement of the alleged dependent child and any options that may be lost by failing to respond to the notice;

(3) Describing the process for becoming an approved foster family home and the additional services and supports available for children placed in approved foster homes; and

(4) Describing any financial assistance for which a relative may be eligible.

~~(e)~~(d) The diligent search required by this Code section and the notification required by subsection ~~(d)~~ (c) of this Code section shall be completed, documented in writing, and filed with the court within 30 days from the date on which the alleged dependent child was removed from his or her home.

~~(f)~~(e) After the completion of the diligent search required by this Code section, DFCS shall have a continuing duty to search for relatives or other persons who have demonstrated an ongoing commitment to a child and with whom it may be appropriate to place the alleged dependent child until such relatives or persons are found or until such child is placed for adoption unless the court excuses DFCS from conducting a diligent search."

SECTION 1-14.

Said chapter is further amended by revising subparagraph (a)(2)(C) of Code Section 15-11-212, relating to disposition of dependent children, as follows:

"(C) Any public agency authorized by law to receive and provide care for such child; provided, however, that for the purpose of this Code section, the term 'public agency' shall not include DJJ or DBHDD; or"

SECTION 1-15.

Said chapter is further amended by revising the introductory language of subsection (c) of Code Section 15-11-216, relating to periodic review hearings, as follows:

"(c) At the initial 75 day periodic review, the court shall approve the completion of the relative search, schedule the subsequent four-month review to be conducted by the court or a ~~citizen~~ judicial citizen review panel, and shall determine:"

SECTION 1-16.

Said chapter is further amended in Code Section 15-11-262, relating to right to attorney and appointment of guardian ad litem in termination of parental rights proceedings, by revising subsections (d) through (f) and by redesignating subsections (g) through (i) as subsections (h) through (j), respectively, as follows:

"(d) The court ~~may~~ shall appoint a guardian ad litem for a child in a termination proceeding ~~at the request of such child's attorney or upon the court's own motion if it determines that a guardian ad litem is necessary to assist the court in determining the best interests of such child~~; provided, however, that such guardian ad litem may be the same person as the child's attorney unless or until there is a conflict of interest between the attorney's duty to such child as such child's attorney and the attorney's considered opinion of such child's best interests as guardian ad litem.

(e) The court shall appoint a CASA to serve as guardian ad litem whenever possible, and a CASA may be appointed in addition to an attorney who is serving as a guardian ad litem.

~~(e)~~(f) The role of a guardian ad litem in a termination of parental rights proceeding shall be the same role as provided for in all dependency proceedings under Article 3 of this chapter.

~~(f)~~(g) If an attorney or guardian ad litem has been appointed to represent a child in a prior proceeding under this chapter, the court, when possible, shall appoint the same attorney to represent such child in any subsequent proceeding."

SECTION 1-17.

Said chapter is further amended by revising Code Section 15-11-265, relating to suspension of right of voluntary surrender of parental rights, as follows:

"15-11-265.

Once a petition to terminate parental rights has been filed, the parent of a child adjudicated as a dependent child shall thereafter be without authority to ~~execute an act of surrender or otherwise to~~ affect the custody of his or her child except such parent may:

~~(1) Execute an act of surrender in favor of the department; and~~

~~(2)~~(1) Consent to a judgment terminating his or her parental rights; and

(2) Execute an act of surrender in favor of:

(A) A third party if all of the parties to the petition to terminate parental rights agree; or

(B) The department."

SECTION 1-18.

Said chapter is further amended by revising subsection (a) of Code Section 15-11-270, relating to venue for petition to terminate parental rights, as follows:

"(a) A proceeding under this article shall be commenced ~~in~~:

(1) In the county that has jurisdiction over ~~the~~ related dependency proceedings;

(2) In the county in which a child legally resides;

(3) In the county in which a child is present when the termination proceeding is commenced if such child is present without his or her parent, guardian, or legal custodian; or

(4) In the county where the acts underlying the petition to terminate parental rights are alleged to have occurred."

SECTION 1-19.

Said chapter is further amended by revising subsection (d) of Code Section 15-11-280, relating to the petition for termination of parental rights and putative fathers, as follows:

"(d) When a petition to terminate parental rights seeks termination of the rights of a biological father who is not the legal father and who has not surrendered his rights to his child, the petition shall include a certificate from the putative father registry

disclosing the name, address, and social security number of any registrant acknowledging paternity of the child named in the petition or indicating the possibility of paternity of a child of the child's mother for a period beginning no more than two years immediately preceding such child's date of birth. The certificate shall document a search of the registry on or ~~after~~ before the date of the filing of the petition and shall include a statement that the registry is current as to filings of registrants as of the date of the petition ~~or as of a date later than the date of the petition~~."

SECTION 1-20.

Said chapter is further amended by revising subsection (e) of Code Section 15-11-282, relating to service of summons, as follows:

"(e)(1) Service by publication shall be made once a week for four consecutive weeks in the legal organ of the county where the petition to terminate parental rights has been filed and of the county of the biological father's last known address. Service shall be deemed complete upon the date of the last publication.

(2) When served by publication, the notice shall contain the names of the parties, except that the anonymity of a child shall be preserved by the use of appropriate initials, and the date the petition to terminate parental rights was filed. The notice shall indicate the general nature of the allegations and where a copy of the petition to terminate parental rights can be obtained and require the party to be served by publication to appear before the court at the time fixed to answer the allegations of the petition to terminate parental rights.

(3) The petition to terminate parental rights shall be available to the ~~parent~~ party whose rights are sought to be terminated free of charge from the court during business hours or, upon request, shall be mailed to such ~~parent~~ party.

(4) Within 15 days after the filing of the order of service by publication, the clerk of court shall mail a copy of the notice, a copy of the order of service by publication, and a copy of the petition to terminate parental rights to the absent ~~parent's~~ party's last known address."

SECTION 1-21.

Said chapter is further amended by revising Code Section 15-11-283, relating to notice to fathers, as follows:

"15-11-283.

(a) Unless he has surrendered all parental rights to his child, a summons shall be served ~~on the legal father of a child named in the petition brought pursuant to this article or~~ in the same manner as set forth in Code Section 15-11-282 on the biological father:

(1) Whose paternity has been previously established in a judicial proceeding to which the father was a party;

(2) Whose identity is known to the petitioner or the petitioner's attorney;

(3) Who is a registrant on the putative father registry and has acknowledged paternity of the child named in the petition brought pursuant to this article;

(4) Who is a registrant on the putative father registry who has indicated possible paternity of the child named in the petition brought pursuant to this article that was born to such child's mother during a period beginning no more than two years immediately preceding such child's date of birth; or

(5) Who, if the court finds from the evidence including but not limited to the affidavit of the mother of a child named in the petition brought pursuant to this article, has performed any of the following acts:

(A) Lived with such child;

(B) Contributed to such child's support;

(C) Made any attempt to legitimate such child; or

(D) Provided support or medical care for such mother either during her pregnancy or during her hospitalization for the birth of such child.

~~(b) Notice shall be given to the biological father or legal father by the following methods:~~

~~(1) If the biological father or legal father is within this state and can be found, the summons shall be served upon him personally as soon as possible and least 30 days before the termination of parental rights hearing;~~

~~(2) If the biological father or legal father is outside this state but his address is known or can be ascertained with due diligence, service of summons shall be made at least 30 days before the termination of parental rights hearing either by delivering a copy to him personally or by mailing a copy to him by registered or certified mail or statutory overnight delivery, return receipt requested; or~~

~~(3) If, after due diligence, the biological father or legal father to be served with summons cannot be found and his address cannot be ascertained, whether he is within or outside this state, the court may order service of summons upon him by publication. The termination of parental rights hearing shall not be earlier than 31 days after the date of the last publication. Service by publication shall be as follows:~~

~~(A) Service by publication shall be made once a week for four consecutive weeks in the legal organ of the county where the petition to terminate parental rights has been filed and of the county of the biological father's last known address. Service shall be deemed complete upon the date of the last publication;~~

~~(B) When served by publication, the notice shall contain the names of the parties, except that the anonymity of a child shall be preserved by the use of appropriate initials, and the date the petition to terminate parental rights was filed. The notice shall indicate the general nature of the allegations and where a copy of the petition to terminate parental rights can be obtained and require the biological father or legal father to appear before the court at the time fixed to answer the allegations of the petition to terminate parental rights;~~

~~(C) The petition to terminate parental rights shall be available to the biological father or legal father whose rights are sought to be terminated free of charge from the court during business hours or, upon request, shall be mailed to the biological father or legal father; and~~

~~(D) Within 15 days after the filing of the order of service by publication, the clerk of court shall mail a copy of the notice, a copy of the order of service by publication, and a copy of the petition to terminate parental rights to the biological father's or legal father's last known address.~~

~~(c)~~(b) The notice shall advise the biological father who is not the legal father that he may lose all rights to the child named in a petition brought pursuant to this article and will not be entitled to object to the termination of his rights to such child unless, within 30 days of receipt of notice, he files:

(1) A petition to legitimate such child; and

(2) Notice of the filing of the petition to legitimate with the court in which the termination of parental rights proceeding is pending.

~~(d)~~(c) If the identity of the biological father whose rights are sought to be terminated is not known to the petitioner or the petitioner's attorney and the biological father would not be entitled to notice in accordance with subsection (a) of this Code section, then it shall be rebuttably presumed that he is not entitled to notice of the proceedings. The court shall be authorized to require the mother to execute an affidavit supporting the presumption or show cause before the court if she refuses. Absent evidence rebutting the presumption, no further inquiry or notice shall be required by the court, and the court may enter an order terminating the rights of the biological father.

~~(e)~~(d) The court may enter an order terminating all the parental rights of a biological father, including any right to object thereafter to such proceedings:

(1) Who fails to file a timely petition to legitimate the child named in a petition brought pursuant to this article and notice in accordance with subsection ~~(c)~~ (b) of this Code section;

(2) Whose petition to legitimate is subsequently dismissed for failure to prosecute; or

(3) Whose petition to legitimate does not result in a court order finding that he is the legal father of the child named in a petition brought pursuant to this article."

SECTION 1-22.

Said chapter is further amended by revising Part 4 of Article 4, relating to hearings in termination of parental rights cases, by adding a new Code section to read as follows:

"15-11-304.

Except as provided in this Code section, hearings to terminate parental rights shall be conducted in accordance with Title 24. Testimony or other evidence relevant to determining whether a statutory ground for termination of parental rights exists may not be excluded on any ground of privilege, except in the case of:

(1) Communications between a party and his or her attorney; and

(2) Confessions or communications between a priest, rabbi, or duly ordained minister or similar functionary and his or her confidential communicant."

SECTION 1-23.

Said chapter is further amended by revising Code Section 15-11-322, relating to continuing court review when a child is not adopted, as follows:

"15-11-322.

~~(a)~~ If a petition seeking the adoption of a child whose parents have had their parental rights terminated or surrendered is not filed within six months after the date of the disposition order, the court shall then, and at least every six months thereafter so long as such child remains unadopted, review the circumstances of such child to determine what efforts have been made to assure that such child will be adopted. The court shall:

(1) Make written findings regarding whether reasonable efforts have been made to move such child to permanency;

(2) Evaluate whether, in light of any change in circumstances, the permanency plan for such child remains appropriate; and

(3) Enter such orders as it deems necessary to further adoption or if appropriate, other permanency options, including, but not limited to, another placement.

~~(b) In those cases in which a child whose parents have had their parental rights terminated or surrendered was placed with a guardian, within 60 days after such appointment and within 60 days after each anniversary date of such appointment, the guardian shall file with the court a personal status report of such child which shall include:~~

~~(1) A description of such child's general condition, changes since the last report, and such child's needs;~~

~~(2) All addresses of such child during the reporting period and the living arrangements of such child for all addresses; and~~

~~(3) Recommendations for any modification of the guardianship order.~~"

SECTION 1-24.

Said chapter is further amended by revising subsections (a) and (b) of Code Section 15-11-390, relating to filing of a complaint for a child in need of services, as follows:

"(a) A complaint alleging a child is a child in need of services may be ~~filed by a parent, guardian, or legal custodian, DFCS, a school official,~~ made by any person, including a law enforcement officer, ~~a guardian ad litem, or an attorney~~ who has knowledge of the facts alleged or is informed and believes that such facts are true.

(b) The complaint shall set forth plainly and with particularity:

(1) The name, date of birth, and residence address of the child alleged to be a child in need of services;

(2) The facts alleging why the court has jurisdiction of the complaint;

(3) The reasons why the complaint is in the best interests of the child and the public;

~~(2)~~(4) The names and residence addresses of the parent, guardian, or legal custodian, any other family members, or any other individuals living within such child's home;

~~(3)~~(5) The name of any public institution or agency having the responsibility or ability to supply services alleged to be needed by such child; and

~~(4)~~(6) Whether any of the matters required by this subsection are unknown."

SECTION 1-25.

Said chapter is further amended by revising subsection (a) of Code Section 15-11-400, relating to child in need of services and time limitations for continued custody, as follows:

"(a) The continued custody hearing for a child alleged to be a child in need of services shall be held promptly and no later than:

(1) Twenty-four hours, excluding weekends and holidays, ~~Seventy-two hours~~ after such child is taken into temporary custody if he or she is being held in a secure residential facility or nonsecure residential facility; or

(2) Seventy-two hours, excluding weekends and holidays, ~~Five days~~ after such child is placed in foster care~~, provided that, if the five-day time frame expires on a weekend or legal holiday, the hearing shall be held on the next day which is not a weekend or legal holiday~~."

SECTION 1-26.

Said chapter is further amended by revising subsections (b) through (g) of Code Section 15-11-402, relating to the right to an attorney and appointment of a guardian ad litem, as follows:

"~~(b) The court shall appoint a CASA to act as a guardian ad litem whenever possible, and a CASA may be appointed in addition to an attorney who is serving as a guardian ad litem.~~

~~(c)~~(b) The court may appoint a guardian ad litem for a child alleged to be a child in need of services at the request of such child's attorney or upon the court's own motion if it determines that a guardian ad litem is necessary to assist the court in determining the best interests of such child; provided, however, that such guardian ad litem may be the same person as the child's attorney unless or until there is a conflict of interest between the attorney's duty to such child as such child's attorney and the attorney's considered opinion of such child's best interests as guardian ad litem.

~~(d)~~(c) The role of a guardian ad litem in a proceeding for a child in need of services shall be the same role as provided for in all dependency proceedings under Article 3 of this chapter.

~~(e)~~(d) If an attorney or a guardian ad litem has previously been appointed for a child in a dependency or delinquency proceeding, the court, when possible, shall appoint the same attorney or guardian ad litem for a child alleged to be a child in need of services.

~~(f)~~(e) An attorney appointed to represent a child in a proceeding for a child in need of services shall continue representation in any subsequent appeals unless excused by the court.

~~(g)~~(f) A child alleged to be a child in need of services shall be informed of his or her right to an attorney at or prior to the first court proceeding for a child in need of services. A child alleged to be a child in need of services shall be given an opportunity to:

(1) Obtain and employ an attorney of his or her own choice; or

(2) To obtain a court appointed attorney if the court determines that such child is an indigent person."

SECTION 1-27.

Said chapter is further amended by revising subsection (c) of Code Section 15-11-410, relating to taking a child into temporary custody, and adding a new subsection to read as follows:

"(c) A person taking a child into temporary custody shall deliver such child, with all reasonable speed and without first taking such child elsewhere, to a medical facility if he or she is believed to suffer from a serious physical condition or illness which requires prompt treatment and, upon delivery, shall promptly contact a juvenile court intake officer. ~~Immediately upon being notified by the person taking such child into custody, the~~

(d) As soon as a juvenile court intake officer is notified that a child has been taken into temporary custody, such juvenile court intake officer shall administer a detention assessment and determine if such child should be released, remain in temporary custody, or be brought before the court."

SECTION 1-28.

Said chapter is further amended by revising subsection (c) of Code Section 15-11-411, relating to taking a child into temporary custody, as follows:

"(c) If a parent, guardian, or legal custodian has not assumed custody of his or her child at the end of the 12 hour period described in subsection (a) of this Code section, the court shall be notified and shall place such child in the least restrictive placement consistent with such child's needs for protection or control ~~in~~. In making its determination of placement, the court should consider the following placement options:

(1) In the custody of such child's parents, guardian, or legal custodian upon such person's promise to bring such child before the court when requested by the court; ~~provided, however, that if such placement is not available, such child shall be placed in~~

(2) In the custody of DFCS which shall promptly arrange for foster care of such child; (3) In a secure residential facility or nonsecure residential facility in accordance with Code Section 15-11-412; or

(4) In any other court-approved placement that is not a secure residential facility or nonsecure residential facility."

SECTION 1-29.

Said chapter is further amended by revising Code Section 15-11-413, relating to continued custody hearings, as follows:

"15-11-413.

(a) If a child alleged to be a child in need of services is being held in a secure residential facility or nonsecure residential facility, a continued custody hearing shall be held within ~~72~~ 24 hours, excluding weekends and holidays. If such hearing is not held

within the time specified, such child shall be released from temporary detention in accordance with subsection (c) of Code Section 15-11-411 and with authorization of the detaining authority.

(b) If a child alleged to be a child in need of services is not being held in a secure residential facility or nonsecure residential facility and has not been released to the custody of such child's parent, guardian, or legal custodian, a hearing shall be held ~~promptly and not later than five days~~ within 72 hours, excluding weekends and holidays, after such child is placed in foster care~~, provided that, if the five-day time frame expires on a weekend or legal holiday, the hearing shall be held on the next day which is not a weekend or legal holiday~~.

~~(c) At the commencement of a continued custody hearing, the court shall inform the parties of:~~

~~(1) The nature of the allegations;~~

~~(2) The nature of the proceedings;~~

~~(3) The possible consequences or dispositions that may apply to such child's case following adjudication; and~~

~~(4) Their due process rights, including the right to an attorney and to an appointed attorney; the privilege against self-incrimination; that he or she may remain silent and that anything said may be used against him or her; the right to confront anyone who testifies against him or her and to cross-examine any persons who appear to testify against him or her; the right to testify and to compel other witnesses to attend and testify in his or her own behalf; the right to a speedy adjudication hearing; and the right to appeal and be provided with a transcript for such purpose.~~"

SECTION 1-30.

Said chapter is further amended by revising Code Section 15-11-414, relating to continued custody hearing and findings, as follows:

"15-11-414.

(a) At the commencement of a continued custody hearing, the court shall inform the parties of:

(1) The nature of the allegations;

(2) The nature of the proceedings;

(3) The possible consequences or dispositions that may apply to such child's case following adjudication; and

(4) Their due process rights, including the right to an attorney and to an appointed attorney; the privilege against self-incrimination; that he or she may remain silent and that anything said may be used against him or her; the right to confront anyone who testifies against him or her and to cross-examine any persons who appear to testify against him or her; the right to testify and to compel other witnesses to attend and testify in his or her own behalf; the right to a speedy adjudication hearing; and the right to appeal and be provided with a transcript for such purpose.

~~(a)~~(b) At a continued custody hearing, the court shall determine whether there is probable cause to believe that a child has committed a status offense or is otherwise a child in need of services and that continued custody is necessary.

~~(b)~~(c) If the court determines there is probable cause to believe that a child has committed a status offense or is otherwise in need of services, the court may order that such child:

(1) Be released to the custody of his or her parent, guardian, or legal custodian; or

(2) Be placed in the least restrictive placement consistent with such child's need for protection and control as authorized by Code Section 15-11-411 and in accordance with Code Section 15-11-415.

~~(c)~~(d) If the court determines there is probable cause to believe that such child has committed a status offense or is otherwise in need of services, the court shall:

(1) Refer such child and his or her family for a community based risk reduction program; or

(2) Order that a petition for a child in need of services be filed and set a date for an adjudication hearing.

~~(d)~~(e) Following a continued custody hearing, the court may detain a child alleged to be a child in need of services in a secure residential facility or nonsecure residential facility for up to ~~72~~ 24 hours, excluding weekends and legal holidays, only for the purpose of providing adequate time to arrange for an appropriate alternative placement pending the adjudication hearing.

~~(e)~~(f) All orders shall contain written findings as to the form or conditions of a child's release. If a child alleged to be a child in need of services cannot be returned to the custody of his or her parent, guardian, or legal custodian at the continued custody hearing, the court shall state the facts upon which the continued custody is based. The court shall make the following findings of fact referencing any and all evidence relied upon to make its determinations:

(1) Whether continuation in the home of such child's parent, guardian, or legal custodian is contrary to such child's welfare; and

(2) Whether reasonable efforts have been made to safely maintain such child in the home of his or her parent, guardian, or legal custodian and to prevent or eliminate the need for removal from such home. Such finding shall be made at the continued custody hearing if possible but in no case later than 60 days following such child's removal from his or her home."

SECTION 1-31.

Said chapter is further amended by revising subsections (a), (e), and (f) of Code Section 15-11-415, relating to detention decisions and findings, as follows:

"(a) Restraints on the freedom of a child prior to adjudication shall be imposed only when there is probable cause to believe that a child committed the act of which he or she is accused, there is clear and convincing evidence that such child's freedom should be restrained, that no less restrictive alternatives will suffice, and:

(1) Such child's detention or care is required to reduce the likelihood that he or she may inflict serious bodily harm on others during the interim period; or

(2) Such child's detention is necessary to secure his or her presence in court to protect the jurisdiction and processes of the court~~; or~~

~~(3) An order for such child's detention has been made by the court~~."

"(e) ~~Before entering an order authorizing detention, the court shall determine whether a child's continuation in his or her home is contrary to his or her welfare and whether there are available services that would prevent or eliminate the need for detention. The court shall make such determination on a case by case basis and shall make written findings of fact referencing any and all evidence relied upon in reaching its decision.~~

~~(f)~~ If a child alleged to be a child in need of services can remain in the custody of his or her parent, guardian, or legal custodian through the provision of services to prevent the need for removal, the court shall order that such services shall be provided."

SECTION 1-32.

Said chapter is further amended by revising Code Section 15-11-420, relating to the authority to file a petition for a child in need of services, as follows:

"15-11-420.

A petition alleging that a child is a child in need of services may be ~~made by any person, including~~ filed by a parent, a guardian, a legal custodian, a law enforcement officer, a guardian ad litem, or an attorney who has knowledge of the facts alleged or is informed and believes that such facts are true. Such petition shall not be ~~filed~~ accepted for filing unless the court or a person authorized by the court has determined and endorsed on the petition that the filing of the petition is in the best interests of the public and such child."

SECTION 1-33.

Said chapter is further amended by revising subsection (a) of Code Section 15-11-441, relating to an adjudication hearing for a child in need of services, as follows:

"(a) If a child alleged to be a child in need of services is in continued custody ~~but not in a secure residential facility or nonsecure residential facility~~, the adjudication hearing shall be scheduled to be held no later than ten days after the filing of the petition seeking an adjudication that such child is a child in need of services. If such child is not in continued custody, the adjudication hearing shall be scheduled to be held no later than 60 days after the filing of such petition."

SECTION 1-34.

Said chapter is further amended by revising subsection (a) of Code Section 15-11-442, relating to disposition hearings for a child in need of services, as follows:

"(a) If the court finds that a child is a child in need of services, a final disposition hearing shall be held and completed within ~~60~~ 30 days of the conclusion of the adjudication hearing if the final disposition hearing is not held in conjunction with such adjudication hearing."

SECTION 1-35.

Said chapter is further amended by revising paragraph (1) of subsection (a) of Code Section 15-11-443, relating to the duration of disposition orders, as follows:

"(1) A hearing is held prior to the expiration of the order upon motion of DFCS, DJJ, the ~~prosecuting attorney~~ petitioner, or on the court's own motion;"

SECTION 1-36.

Said chapter is further amended by revising Code Section 15-11-476, relating to appointment of a guardian ad litem in delinquency cases, as follows:

"15-11-476.

(a) ~~The court shall appoint a CASA to act as a guardian ad litem whenever possible, and a CASA may be appointed in addition to an attorney who is serving as a guardian ad litem.~~

~~(b)~~ The court shall appoint a ~~separate~~ guardian ad litem whenever:

(1) An alleged delinquent child appears before the court without his or her parent, guardian, or legal custodian;

(2) It appears to the court that a parent, guardian, or legal custodian of an alleged delinquent child is incapable or unwilling to make decisions in the best interests of such child with respect to proceedings under this article such that there may be a conflict of interest between such child and his or her parent, guardian, or legal custodian; or

(3) The court finds that it is otherwise in a child's best interests to do so.

~~(c)~~(b) The role of a guardian ad litem in a delinquency proceeding shall be the same role as provided for in all dependency proceedings under Article 3 of this chapter.

~~(d)~~(c) In ~~Neither a child's attorney in~~ a delinquency proceeding, ~~nor his or her~~ a child's parent, guardian, ~~or~~ legal custodian, or attorney shall not prohibit or impede the child's guardian ad litem's access to such child ~~by the guardian ad litem~~."

SECTION 1-37.

Said chapter is further amended by revising paragraph (3) of subsection (e) of Code Section 15-11-450, relating to comprehensive services plan for child found unrestorably incompetent to proceed, as follows:

"(3) If such child's evaluation recommends inpatient treatment, certification by such plan manager that such child is mentally ill or developmentally disabled and meets the requirements for civil commitment pursuant to Chapters 3 and 4 of Title 37 and that all other appropriate community based treatment options have been exhausted; and"

SECTION 1-38.

Said chapter is further amended by revising subsection (d) of Code Section 15-11-451, relating to hearing on a mental health plan, as follows:

"(d) If, during the comprehensive services plan hearing or any subsequent review hearing, the court determines that a child ~~meets criteria~~ is mentally ill or developmentally disabled and meets the requirements for civil commitment pursuant to

Chapters 3 and 4 of Title 37, such child may be committed to an appropriate treatment setting."

SECTION 1-39.

Said chapter is further amended by revising subsection (b) of Code Section 15-11-511, relating to arraignment and admissions at arraignment, as follows:

"(b) The court may accept an admission at arraignment and may proceed immediately to disposition if a child is represented by counsel at arraignment ~~or if~~. If a child's liberty is not in jeopardy, he or she may waive the right to counsel at arraignment. A child represented by counsel or whose liberty is not in jeopardy may make a preliminary statement indicating whether he or she plans to admit or deny the allegations of the complaint at the adjudication hearing~~, but the~~. The court shall not accept an admission from a child whose liberty is in jeopardy and who is unrepresented by counsel."

SECTION 1-40.

Said chapter is further amended by revising subsection (a) of Code Section 15-11-531, relating to service of summons for adjudication hearings, as follows:

"(a) If a party to be served with a summons is within this state and can be found, the summons shall be served upon him or her personally as soon as possible and at least ~~24~~ 72 hours before the adjudication hearing."

SECTION 1-41.

Said chapter is further amended by revising subsection (d) of Code Section 15-11-532, relating to sanctions for failure to obey a summons, as follows:

"(d) If there is sworn testimony that a child ~~14 years of age but not yet~~ less than 16 years of age willfully refuses to appear at a hearing on a petition alleging delinquency after being ordered to so appear, the court may issue a bench warrant requiring that such child be brought before the court and the court may enter any order authorized by the provisions of Code Section 15-11-31."

SECTION 1-42.

Said chapter is further amended by revising subsection (a) of Code Section 15-11-566, relating to dismissal order upon transfer to superior court, as follows:

"(a) If the court decides to transfer a child for trial in superior court, it shall dismiss the juvenile court petition alleging delinquency for the offense or offenses being transferred, set forth the offense or offenses which are being transferred, and make the following findings of fact in its dismissal order:

(1) That the court had jurisdiction of the cause and the parties;

(2) That the child subject to transfer was represented by an attorney; and

(3) That the hearing was held in the presence of the child subject to transfer and his or her attorney."

SECTION 1-43.

Said chapter is further amended by revising subsection (a) of Code Section 15-11-582, relating to adjudication hearings in delinquency cases and time limitations, as follows:

"(a) The court shall fix a time for the adjudication hearing. If an alleged delinquent child is in detention, the hearing shall be ~~scheduled to be~~ held no later than ten days after the filing of the delinquency petition. If a child is not in detention, the hearing shall be ~~scheduled to be~~ held no later than 60 days after the filing of such petition."

SECTION 1-44.

Said chapter is further amended by revising subsections (c), (d), and (h) of Code Section 15-11-602, relating to the disposition of persons adjudicated for class A or class B designated felony acts, as follows:

"(c) An order for a child adjudicated for a class A designated felony act placing such child in restrictive custody shall provide that:

(1) Such child shall be placed in DJJ custody for an initial period of up to 60 months;

(2) Such child shall be confined for a period set by the order in a secure residential facility, except as provided in subsection (e) of this Code section. All time spent in a secure residential facility or nonsecure residential facility shall be counted toward the confinement period set by the order;

(3) After a period of confinement set by the court, such child shall be placed under intensive supervision not to exceed 12 months;

(4) Such child shall not be released from intensive supervision unless by court order; and

(5) All home visits shall be carefully arranged and monitored by DJJ personnel while such child is placed in a secure residential facility or nonsecure residential facility.

(d) An order for a child adjudicated for a class B designated felony act placing such child in restrictive custody shall provide that:

(1) Such child shall be placed in DJJ custody for an initial period of up to 36 months; provided, however, that not more than 18 months of such custodial period shall be spent in restrictive custody;

(2) Except as provided in subsection (e) of this Code section, if such child is classified as moderate risk or high risk, he or she shall be confined for a period set by the order in a secure residential facility for half of the period of restrictive custody and the other half of the period of restrictive custody may, at the discretion of DJJ, be spent in a nonsecure residential facility. All time spent in a secure residential facility or nonsecure residential facility shall be counted toward the confinement period set by the order;

(3) Except as provided in subsection (e) of this Code section, if such child is classified as low risk, he or she shall be confined for a period set by the order in a nonsecure residential facility. All time spent in a secure residential facility or nonsecure residential facility ~~subsequent to the date of the disposition hearing and prior to placement in a nonsecure residential facility~~ shall be counted toward the confinement period set by the order;

(4) Such child shall be placed under intensive supervision not to exceed six months either after a period of confinement set by the court or as an initial period of supervision;

(5) Such child shall not be released from intensive supervision unless by court order; and

(6) All home visits shall be carefully arranged and monitored by DJJ personnel while a child is placed in a secure residential facility or nonsecure residential facility."

"(h) The court shall identify the school last attended by a child adjudicated for a class A designated felony act or class B designated felony act and the school which such child intends to attend and shall transmit a copy of the adjudication to the principals of both schools within ~~15~~ 30 days of the adjudication. Such information shall be subject to notification, distribution, and other requirements as provided in Code Section 20-2-671."

SECTION 1-45.

Said chapter is further amended by revising subsection (a) of Code Section 15-11-604, relating to credit for time served, as follows:

"(a) A child adjudicated to have committed a delinquent act shall be given credit for each day spent in a secure residential facility, ~~or~~ a nonsecure residential facility, or any institution or facility for the treatment or examination of a physical or mental disability awaiting adjudication, pending disposition and ~~for each day spent in a secure residential facility or nonsecure residential facility~~ in connection with and resulting from a court order entered in the proceedings for which the disposition was imposed and in any institution or facility for treatment or examination of a physical or mental disability. Such credit shall be applied toward the child's disposition."

SECTION 1-46.

Said chapter is further amended by revising subsection (d) of Code Section 15-11-656, relating to disposition of incompetent child, as follows:

"(d) All court orders determining incompetency shall include specific written findings by the court as to the nature of the incompetency and the mandated outpatient competency remediation services. If such child is in an out-of-home placement, the court shall specify the type of competency remediation services to be performed at such child's location. A child may be placed in a ~~secure treatment facility or~~ crisis stabilization unit, as such term is defined in Code Section 37-1-29, or a psychiatric residential treatment facility operated by DBHDD or other program, not to include DJJ facilities, if the court makes a finding by clear and convincing evidence that:

(1) A child is mentally ill or developmentally disabled and meets the requirements for civil commitment pursuant to Chapters 3 and 4 of Title 37; and

(2) All available less restrictive alternatives, including treatment in community residential facilities or community settings which would offer an opportunity for improvement of a child's condition, are inappropriate."

SECTION 1-47.

Code Section 19-7-1 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to in whom parental power lies and how such power may be lost, is amended by revising paragraph (8) of subsection (b) as follows:

"(8) A superior court order terminating parental rights of the legal father or the biological father who is not the legal father of the child in a petition for legitimation, a petition to establish paternity, a divorce proceeding, or a custody proceeding pursuant to this chapter or Chapter ~~6~~ 5, 8, or 9 of this title, provided that such termination is in the best interest of such child; and provided, further, that this paragraph shall not apply to such termination when a child has been adopted or is conceived by artificial insemination as set forth in Code Section 19-7-21 or when an embryo is adopted as set forth in Article 2 of Chapter 8 of this title."

PART II

SECTION 2-1.

Part 1 of Article 2 of Chapter 13 of Title 16 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to schedules, offenses, and penalties, is amended by revising subsection (m) of Code Section 16-13-30, relating to purchase, possession, manufacture, distribution, or sale of controlled substances or marijuana and penalties, as follows:

"(m) As used in this Code section, the term 'solid substance' means a substance that is not in a liquid or gas form. Such term shall include tablets, pills, capsules, caplets, powder, crystal, or any variant of such items."

SECTION 2-2.

Said part is further amended by revising subsection (i) of Code Section 16-13-31, relating to trafficking in cocaine, illegal drugs, marijuana, or methamphetamine and penalties, as follows:

"(i) Notwithstanding Code Section 16-13-2, any sentence imposed pursuant to subsection (g) of this Code section shall not be reduced by any earned time, early release, work release, leave, or other sentence-reducing measures under programs administered by the Department of Corrections, the effect of which would be to reduce the period of incarceration ordered by the sentencing court or any form of pardon, parole, or commutation of sentence by the State Board of Pardons and Paroles; provided, however, that during the final year of incarceration, a defendant so sentenced shall be eligible to be considered for participation in a Department of Corrections administered transitional center or work release program."

SECTION 2-3.

Said part is further amended by revising subsection (e) of Code Section 16-13-31.1, relating to trafficking in ecstasy, sentencing, and variation, as follows:

"(e) Notwithstanding Code Section 16-13-2, any sentence imposed pursuant to subsection (b) of this Code section shall not be reduced by any earned time, early

release, work release, leave, or other sentence-reducing measures under programs administered by the Department of Corrections, the effect of which would be to reduce the period of incarceration ordered by the sentencing court or any form of pardon, parole, or commutation of sentence by the State Board of Pardons and Paroles; provided, however, that during the final year of incarceration, a defendant so sentenced shall be eligible to be considered for participation in a Department of Corrections administered transitional center or work release program."

PART III
SECTION 3-1.

Part 1 of Article 2 of Chapter 13 of Title 16 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to schedules, offenses, and penalties, is amended by revising subsection (m) of Code Section 16-13-30, relating to purchase, possession, manufacture, distribution, or sale of controlled substances or marijuana and penalties, as follows:

"(m) As used in this Code section, the term 'solid substance' means a substance that is not in a liquid or gas form. Such term shall include tablets, pills, capsules, caplets, powder, crystal, or any variant of such items."

PART IV
SECTION 4-1.

Parts I and II and this part of this Act shall become effective upon its approval by the Governor or upon its becoming law without such approval, and Part III of this Act shall become effective on July 1, 2014. Sections 2-2 and 2-3 of Part II of this Act shall apply to any sentence imposed on or after July 1, 2013.

SECTION 4-2.

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

An amendment by Representative Coomer of the 14th was withdrawn.

The following amendment was read and adopted:

Representative Willard of the 51st offers the following amendment:

Amend the House Committee on Juvenile Justice substitute to SB 364 (LC 29 6040-ECS) by inserting after "drugs" *on line 13 the following:*

to amend Code Section 29-2-4 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to nomination of testamentary guardian, so as to change provisions relating to the appointment of a testamentary guardian; to provide for objections to the nomination of a testamentary guardian and procedure; to amend Code Section 53-5-21 of the Official

Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to the procedure for probating a will in solemn form, so as to provide for conforming a cross-reference;

By inserting between lines 813 and 814 the following:

PART IV
SECTION 4-1.

Code Section 29-2-4 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to nomination of testamentary guardian, is amended by revising subsection (b) as follows:

"(b)(1) Unless the minor has another living parent, upon probate of the minor's parent's will, letters of guardianship shall be issued to the individual nominated in the will who shall serve as testamentary guardian without ~~notice or~~ a hearing provided that the individual is willing to serve and no objection is filed. If a timely objection is filed, letters of guardianship shall only be issued after a hearing held pursuant to paragraph (4) of this subsection.

(2) At the time such will is offered for probate, notice of the testamentary guardianship shall be served by certified mail or statutory overnight delivery, return receipt requested, to the minor child's adult siblings and grandparents. If such child does not have adult siblings or grandparents, such notice shall be served on such child's great-grandparents, aunts, uncles, great aunts, or great uncles, insofar as any such relative exists.

(3) Any person who receives a notice pursuant to this subsection and objects to the appointment of the nominated testamentary guardian shall file an objection with the court within ten days of being served with notice. Such objection shall include allegations and facts with reasonable specificity stating why the nominated testamentary guardian is unfit to serve.

(4) If a timely objection is filed, the court shall conduct an expedited hearing within 30 days of the date of the filing of the last objection. The hearing shall be conducted in accordance with Code Section 29-2-14. The court shall award the letters of guardianship to the nominated testamentary guardian unless the objecting party establishes by clear and convincing evidence that the nominated testamentary guardian is unfit to serve as testamentary guardian.

(5) Any proceeding relating to the appointment of a testamentary guardian shall not affect or delay the probating of a will."

SECTION 4-2.

Code Section 53-5-21 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to the procedure for probating a will in solemn form, is amended by revising subsection (b) as follows:

"(b) The petition to probate a will in solemn form shall set forth the full name, the place of domicile, and the date of death of the testator; the mailing address of the petitioner; the names, ages or majority status, and addresses of the surviving spouse and

of all the other heirs, stating their relationship to the testator; and whether, to the knowledge of the petitioner, any other proceedings with respect to the probate of another purported will of the testator are pending in this state and, if so, the names and addresses of the propounders and the names, addresses, and ages or majority status of the beneficiaries under the other purported will. If a testamentary guardian is being appointed in accordance with subsection (b) of Code Section 29-2-4, the names and mailing addresses of any persons required to be served with notice pursuant to such Code section shall be provided by the petitioner. In the event full particulars are lacking, the petition shall state the reasons for any omission. The petition shall conclude with a prayer for issuance of letters testamentary. If all of the heirs acknowledge service of the petition and notice and shall in their acknowledgment assent thereto, and if there are no other proceedings pending in this state with respect to the probate of another purported will of the decedent, the will may be probated and letters testamentary thereupon may issue without further delay; provided, however, that letters of guardianship shall only be issued in accordance with Code Section 29-2-4."

PART V
SECTION 5-1.

By replacing "and Part III" *with* "Part III" *on line 815.*

By replacing the period on line 816 with the following:
, and Part IV of this Act shall become effective on January 1, 2015.

By redesignating Section 4-2 as Section 5-2 on line 818.

The Committee substitute, as amended, was adopted.

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

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

Y Abrams	N Coomer	Y Gregory	Y McCall	Y Sims, C
Y Alexander	Y Cooper	Y Hamilton	Y McClain	Y Smith, E
Y Allison	Y Dawkins-Haigler	Y Harbin	Y Meadows	Y Smith, L
Y Anderson	Y Deffenbaugh	Y Harden	E Mitchell	Y Smith, M
Y Atwood	Y Dempsey	Y Harrell	Y Moore	Y Smith, R
Y Ballinger	Y Dickerson	Y Hatchett	Y Morgan	Y Smyre
Y Barr	Y Dickey	Y Hawkins	Y Morris	Y Spencer
Y Battles	Y Dickson	Y Henson	Y Mosby	Y Stephens, M
E Beasley-Teague	N Dollar	Y Hightower	N 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 Stover

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

On the passage of the Bill, by substitute, as amended, the ayes were 165, nays 7.

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

The Speaker announced the House in recess until 5:00 o'clock, this afternoon.

The Speaker called the House to order.

The following Resolutions of the House were read and adopted:

HR 1972. By Representative Chapman of the 167th:

A RESOLUTION recognizing and commending Julie Califf; and for other purposes.

HR 1973. By Representative Jones of the 53rd:

A RESOLUTION commending Dominque Alia White on her service as an intern for the Georgia House Democratic Caucus; and for other purposes.

HR 1974. By Representatives Dawkins-Haigler of the 91st, Stephenson of the 90th, Anderson of the 92nd and Dickerson of the 113th:

A RESOLUTION recognizing and commending Elks Aidmore, Inc., on the occasion of its 75th anniversary; and for other purposes.

HR 1975. By Representatives Rogers of the 29th, Hawkins of the 27th, Dunahoo of the 30th and Barr of the 103rd:

A RESOLUTION honoring the life and memory of LeeAnn Noble; and for other purposes.

HR 1976. By Representatives Deffenbaugh of the 1st, Weldon of the 3rd and Tarvin of the 2nd:

A RESOLUTION honoring H. Neal Florence on the occasion of his retirement; and for other purposes.

HR 1977. By Representatives Deffenbaugh of the 1st, Weldon of the 3rd and Tarvin of the 2nd:

A RESOLUTION recognizing and commending Mr. Wade Knight; and for other purposes.

HR 1978. By Representatives Deffenbaugh of the 1st, Weldon of the 3rd and Tarvin of the 2nd:

A RESOLUTION recognizing and commending Ms. Cassandra Bolt; and for other purposes.

HR 1979. By Representatives Deffenbaugh of the 1st, Weldon of the 3rd and Tarvin of the 2nd:

A RESOLUTION recognizing and commending Ms. Jessica Cotter; and for other purposes.

Representative Powell of the 32nd moved that the following Resolution of the House be withdrawn from the Committee on Judiciary Non-Civil and recommitted to the Committee on Public Safety & Homeland Security:

HR 1805. By Representatives Powell of the 32nd, Rice of the 95th and Taylor of the 173rd:

A RESOLUTION creating the House Study Committee on DUI Recidivism and Driver's License Suspensions and Reinstatements; and for other purposes.

The motion prevailed.

The following Bill of the House was taken up for the purpose of considering the Senate action thereon:

HB 1080. By Representatives Smyre of the 135th, Brooks of the 55th, O`Neal of the 146th, Abrams of the 89th, Wilkinson of the 52nd and others:

A BILL to be entitled an Act to amend Chapter 3 of Title 50 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to state flag, seal, and other symbols, so as to provide for placement of a statue of the Reverend Martin Luther King, Jr.; to repeal conflicting laws; and for other purposes.

The following Senate substitute was read:

A BILL TO BE ENTITLED
AN ACT

To amend Chapter 3 of Title 50 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to state flag, seal, and other symbols, so as to provide for placement of a statue of the Reverend Martin Luther King, Jr.; to repeal conflicting laws; and for other purposes.

BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF GEORGIA:

SECTION 1.
Chapter 3 of Title 50 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to state flag, seal, and other symbols, is amended by adding a new article to read as follows:

"ARTICLE 5

50-3-105.
(a) There shall be placed upon the capitol grounds of the state capitol building or in another prominent place a statue of the Reverend Martin Luther King, Jr., subject to the availability of private funds for such purpose.
(b) Unless public safety concerns warrant postponement, such monument shall be procured and placed as soon as practicable but not before the state has been granted any intellectual property license necessary for purposes of this Code section."

SECTION 2.
All laws and parts of laws in conflict with this Act are repealed.

Representative Smyre of the 135th moved that the House agree to the Senate substitute to HB 1080.

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

Y Abrams	Coomer	N Gregory	Y McCall	Y Sims, C
Y Alexander	Y Cooper	Y Hamilton	Y McClain	Y Smith, E
Y Allison	Y Dawkins-Haigler	Y Harbin	Y Meadows	Y Smith, L
Y Anderson	Y Deffenbaugh	Y Harden	E Mitchell	Y Smith, M
Y Atwood	Y Dempsey	Y Harrell	N Moore	Y Smith, R
Y Ballinger	Y Dickerson	Y Hatchett	Y Morgan	Y Smyre
Y Barr	Y Dickey	Y Hawkins	Y Morris	Y Spencer
Y Battles	Y Dickson	Y Henson	Mosby	Y Stephens, M
E Beasley-Teague	Y Dollar	Y Hightower	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 Stover
E Benton	Y Dukes	Y Holt	Y Pak	Y Strickland
Y Beverly	Y Dunahoo	Y Houston	Y Parrish	Y Talton
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Y Coleman	Y Gravley	Y Maxwell	Y Shaw	Y Yates
Y Cooke	Y Greene	Y Mayo	Y Sims, B	Ralston, Speaker

On the motion, the ayes were 171, nays 2.

The motion prevailed.

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

Mr. Speaker:

The Senate has adopted the report of the Committee of Conference on the following bill of the House:

HB 744. By Representatives Ralston of the 7th, Jones of the 47th, O`Neal of the 146th and England of the 116th:

A BILL to be entitled an Act to make and provide appropriations for the State Fiscal Year beginning July 1, 2014, and ending June 30, 2015; to make and provide such appropriations for the operation of the state government and its departments, boards, bureaus, commissions, institutions, and other agencies, for the university system, common schools, counties, municipalities, and political subdivisions, for all other governmental activities, projects, and undertakings authorized by law, and for all leases, contracts, agreements, and grants authorized by law; to provide for the control and administration of funds; to provide an effective date; to repeal conflicting laws; and for other purposes.

The following Bill of the House was taken up for the purpose of considering the Senate action thereon:

HB 881. By Representatives Epps of the 144th, Powell of the 32nd, Gardner of the 57th, Stephenson of the 90th, Mosby of the 83rd and others:

A BILL to be entitled an Act to amend Code Section 40-2-86 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to special license plates promoting and supporting beneficial projects or entities, so as to provide for a new special license plate for the Grady Health Foundation; to require a two-thirds' majority vote for passage in accordance with constitutional requirements; to repeal conflicting laws; and for other purposes.

The following Senate substitute was read:

A BILL TO BE ENTITLED
AN ACT

To amend Code Section 40-2-86 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to special license plates promoting certain beneficial projects and supporting certain worthy agencies, funds, or nonprofit corporations, so as to adjust fund allocation for certain specialty wildlife license plates; to provide for a new special license plate for the Grady Health Foundation; to repeal obsolete provisions; to provide for related matters; to require a two-thirds' majority vote for passage in accordance with constitutional requirements; to repeal conflicting laws; and for other purposes.

BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF GEORGIA:

SECTION 1.

Code Section 40-2-86 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to special license plates promoting certain beneficial projects and supporting certain worthy agencies, funds, or nonprofit corporations, is amended by revising subsections (a) and (e) and by adding a new subsection to read as follows:

"(a)(1) As used in this Code section, except as otherwise provided in subsection (n) of this Code section, the term:

(A) 'Manufacturing fee' means a $25.00 fee paid at the time a special license plate is issued.

(B) 'Special license plate fee' means a $35.00 fee paid at the time a special license plate is issued.

(C) 'Special license plate renewal fee' means a $35.00 fee paid at the time a revalidation decal is issued for a special license plate.

(2) In accordance with Article III, Section IX, Paragraph VI(n) of the Constitution, the General Assembly has determined that the issuance of special license plates to support an agency or fund or a program beneficial to the people of this state that is administered by a nonprofit corporation organized under Section 501(c)(3) of Title 26 of the Internal Revenue Code and dedicating a portion of the funds raised from the sale of these special license plates is in the best interests of the people of this state."

"(e) Before the department disburses to the agency, fund, or nonprofit corporation funds from the sale of special license plates, the agency, fund, or nonprofit corporation must provide a written statement stating the manner in which such funds shall be utilized. In addition, a nonprofit corporation ~~must~~ shall provide the department with documentation of its nonprofit status under Section 501(c)(3) of Title 26 of the Internal Revenue Code. The purposes for which the funds shall be utilized ~~must~~ shall be the same as those specified in this Code section authorizing the dedication to the agency, fund, or nonprofit corporation of revenue from the sale of special license plates. The agency, fund, or nonprofit corporation shall periodically provide to the commissioner an audit of the use of the funds or other evidence of use of the funds satisfactory to the commissioner. Any agency, fund, or nonprofit corporation which receives funds under subsection (n) of this Code section shall submit annually to the members of the Senate Natural Resources and the Environment Committee, the House Committee on Game, Fish, and Parks, the House Committee on Appropriations, and the Senate Appropriations Committee, and to the commissioner of natural resources a detailed audit containing the disposition and expenditure of all funds received pursuant to such subsection. If it is determined that the funds are not being used for the purposes set forth in the statement provided by the agency, fund, or nonprofit corporation, the department shall withhold payment of such funds until such noncompliance issues are resolved."

"(n)(1) The General Assembly recognizes that Code Section 12-3-600 mandates that the best interests of the state are served by providing for the conservation of nongame species of wildlife and has determined that the following special license plates supporting the agencies, funds, or nonprofit corporations listed in this subsection shall

be issued for the purposes indicated. The special license plates listed in this subsection shall be subject to a special license plate fee and a special license plate renewal fee. The revenue disbursement for the special license plates listed in this subsection shall be as follows:

(A) Special license plate fee – $25.00 of which $5.00 is to be deposited into the general fund, $1.00 is to be paid to the local county tag agent and $19.00 is to be dedicated to the sponsoring agency, fund, or nonprofit corporation; and

(B) Special license plate renewal fee – $25.00 of which $5.00 is to be deposited into the general fund and $20.00 is to be dedicated to the sponsoring agency, fund, or nonprofit corporation.

(2) Special license plates promoting the Nongame-Endangered Wildlife Program of the Department of Natural Resources. The funds raised by the sale of these special license plates shall be disbursed to the Nongame Wildlife Conservation and Wildlife Habitat Acquisition Fund of the Department of Natural Resources for the purposes enumerated in subsection (b) of Code Section 12-3-602. Such license plates shall not include a space for a county name decal but shall instead bear the legend 'Give Wildlife a Chance' in lieu of the name of the county of issuance.

(3) A special license plate promoting conservation and enhancement of trout populations. The funds raised by the sale of this special license plate shall be disbursed to the Wildlife Resources Division of the Department of Natural Resources to supplement trout restoration and management programs.

(4) A special license plate supporting the Bobwhite Quail Restoration Initiative. The funds raised by the sale of this special license plate shall be disbursed to the Wildlife Resources Division of the Department of Natural Resources to conduct programs designed to enhance the bobwhite quail population in this state. Such programs may include the creation of habitat demonstration areas on state managed wildlife lands, education programs, technical assistance to private landowners in the creation and maintenance of bobwhite quail habitats on their lands, and projects to encourage public support for the license plate and the activities it funds. The Department of Natural Resources may enter into such contractual agreements as may be appropriate to further the objectives of the Bobwhite Quail Restoration Initiative, including entering into contractual agreements whereby private landowners, public agencies, or corporate entities create, preserve, or enhance habitat for bobwhite quail in return for the payment of incentives. Such license plate shall not include a space for a county decal but shall instead bear the legend 'Support Wildlife' in lieu of the name of the county of issuance."

SECTION 2.

Said Code section is further amended in subsection (l) by adding a new paragraph to read as follows:

"(51) A special license plate for the Grady Health Foundation to support and improve the quality of health care services. The funds raised by the sale of this special license plate shall be disbursed to the Grady Health Foundation."

SECTION 3.

Said Code section is further amended by repealing paragraphs (2), (3), and (4) of subsection (l) and designating said paragraphs as reserved.

SECTION 4.

In accordance with the requirements of Article III, Section IX, Paragraph (VI)(n) of the Constitution of the State of Georgia, this Act shall not become law unless it receives the requisite two-thirds' majority vote in both the Senate and the House of Representatives.

SECTION 5.

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

Representative Epps of the 144th moved that the House agree to the Senate substitute to HB 881.

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

Y Abrams	Y Coomer	N Gregory	Y McCall	Y Sims, C
Y Alexander	Y Cooper	Y Hamilton	Y McClain	Y Smith, E
Y Allison	Y Dawkins-Haigler	Y Harbin	Y Meadows	Y Smith, L
Anderson	Y Deffenbaugh	Y Harden	E Mitchell	Y Smith, M
Y Atwood	Y Dempsey	Y Harrell	N Moore	Y Smith, R
Y Ballinger	Y Dickerson	Y Hatchett	Y Morgan	Y Smyre
Y Barr	Y Dickey	Y Hawkins	Y Morris	Y Spencer
Y Battles	Y Dickson	Y Henson	Y Mosby	Y Stephens, M
Y Beasley-Teague	Y Dollar	Y Hightower	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 Stover
E Benton	Y Dukes	Y Holt	Y Pak	Y Strickland
Y Beverly	Y Dunahoo	Y Houston	Y Parrish	Y Talton
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Y Braddock	Y Dutton	Y Hugley	Y Peake	Y Tanner
Y Broadrick	Y Efstration	Jackson	Y Pezold	Y Tarvin
Y Brockway	Y Ehrhart	Y Jacobs	Y Powell, A	Y Taylor, D
Y Brooks	Y England	Y Jasperse	Y Powell, J	Y Taylor, T
Y Bruce	Y Epps, C	Y Jones, J	Y Prince	Y Teasley
Y Bryant	Y Epps, J	Jones, L	Y Pruett	Y Thomas, A.M.
Y Buckner	Y Evans	Jones, S	Y Quick	Y Turner
Y Burns	Y Fleming	Y Jordan	Y Ramsey	Y Waites
Y Caldwell, J	Y Floyd	Y Kaiser	Y Randall	Y Watson, B
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Y Carson	Y Frazier	Y Kendrick	Y Riley	E Welch
Y Carter	Y Frye	Y Kidd	N Roberts	Y Weldon
Y Casas	Y Fullerton	Y Kirby	Y Rogers, C	Y Wilkerson
Y Chandler	Y Gardner	Y Knight	Y Rogers, T	Y Wilkinson
Y Channell	Y Gasaway	Y Lindsey	Y Rutledge	Y Willard
Y Chapman	Y Geisinger	Y Lumsden	Y Rynders	Y Williams, A
Y Cheokas	Y Glanton	Y Mabra	Y Scott	Y Williams, C
Y Clark, J	Y Golick	Y Marin	Y Setzler	Y Williams, E
Y Clark, V	Y Gordon	Y Martin	Y Sharper	Y Williamson

Y Coleman	Y Gravley	Y Maxwell	Y Shaw	Y Yates
Y Cooke	Y Greene	Y Mayo	Y Sims, B	Ralston, Speaker

On the motion, the ayes were 168, nays 3.

The motion prevailed.

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

HOUSE SUPPLEMENTAL RULES CALENDAR #3
TUESDAY, MARCH 18, 2014

Mr. Speaker and Members of the House:

The Committee on Rules has fixed the calendar for this 39th Legislative Day as enumerated below:

DEBATE CALENDAR

Modified Open Rule

SB 336 Cosmetologists; provide fines imposed by State Board of Cosmetology for certain violations; not exceed certain specified amounts (RegI-Atwood-179th) Ligon, Jr.-3rd

SB 337 Barbers; provide fines imposed by State Board of Barbers for certain violations; not exceed certain specified amounts (RegI-Coleman-97th) Ligon, Jr.-3rd

SB 339 Retirement and Pension; revise, modernize, correct errors/omissions in said title; Code Revision Commission (Ret-Jacobs-80th) Stone-23rd

SB 341 Probate Courts; clerk's authority to act on uncontested matters; repeal a population provision (Judy-Fleming-121st) Stone-23rd

SB 367 Metropolitan Area Planning & Development Commissions; change eligibility to be a commission member (SP&CA-Lindsey-54th) Hill-6th

Modified Structured Rule

SB 281 State Employees; require a high deductible health care plan with health savings account; offered as an option (Ins-Setzler-35th) Hill-32nd

SB 282 Georgia Child Support Commission; enact provisions; relating to child support and enforcement of child support orders (Judy-Barr-103rd) Hufstetler-52nd

SB 290 Dog Ownership; allow local governments to confer dog control authority upon multiple individuals (Substitute)(Judy-Powell-171st) Burke-11th

SB 298 License Plates; submission of a doctor's prescription; application for a special parking decal for persons with disabilities in lieu of an affidavit; notary public not available (Substitute)(MotV-Rice-95th) Murphy-27th (AM# 39 0080)

SB 304 Continuing Care Providers and Facilities; provide for continuing care at home; define certain terms (Substitute)(H&HS-Hawkins-27th) Stone-23rd (AM# 33 1442)

SB 324 Peace Officers; harmonize definitions; employed or appointed by the Department of Juvenile Justice regarding their duties (PS&HS-Weldon-3rd) Stone-23rd

Structured Rule

SR 937 Albert Sidney "Sid" Newton Memorial Highway; Jenkins County; dedicate (Substitute)(Trans-Roberts-155th) Stone-23rd

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

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

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

SB 282. By Senator Hufstetler of the 52nd:

A BILL to be entitled an Act to amend Chapter 6 and Article 1 of Chapter 11 of Title 19 of the O.C.G.A., relating to alimony and child support and the "Child Support Recovery Act," respectively, so as to enact provisions recommended by the Georgia Child Support Commission relating to child support and enforcement of child support orders; to revise definitions used in calculating child support; to clarify that worksheets and the calculator determine monthly child support figures; to clarify provisions relating to gross income; to change provisions relating to the duties of the GCSC; to provide for definitions and correct cross-references relating to the Department of Human Services Bank Match Registry and child support orders; 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.

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

Y Abrams	Y Coomer	N Gregory	McCall	Y Sims, C
Y Alexander	Y Cooper	Y Hamilton	Y McClain	Y Smith, E
Y Allison	Y Dawkins-Haigler	Y Harbin	Y Meadows	Y Smith, L
Anderson	Y Deffenbaugh	Y Harden	E Mitchell	Smith, M
Y Atwood	Y Dempsey	Y Harrell	N Moore	Y Smith, R
Y Ballinger	Dickerson	Y Hatchett	Morgan	Y Smyre
Y Barr	Y Dickey	Y Hawkins	Y Morris	Y Spencer
Y Battles	Y Dickson	Y Henson	Y Mosby	Y Stephens, M
Beasley-Teague	Dollar	Y Hightower	Y Nimmer	Y Stephens, R
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Y Coleman	Y Gravley	Y Maxwell	Y Shaw	Y Yates
Y Cooke	Y Greene	Y Mayo	Y Sims, B	Ralston, Speaker

On the passage of the Bill, the ayes were 161, nays 2.

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

SB 290. By Senators Burke of the 11th and Crosby of the 13th:

A BILL to be entitled an Act to amend Article 2 of Chapter 8 of Title 4 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to responsible dog ownership, so as to allow local governments to confer dog control authority upon multiple individuals; to provide for the hearing of contested cases by superior courts; to require dog owners to pay for reasonable confinement and housing

expenses in certain cases; 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 2 of Chapter 8 of Title 4, Chapter 14 of Title 4, and Article 2 of Chapter 9 of Title 15 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to responsible dog ownership, sterilization of dogs and cats in animal shelters, and jurisdiction, power, and duties of probate courts, respectively, so as to provide more opportunity to expeditiously handle dogs in the community that are alleged to be dangerous, vicious, or are otherwise in animal shelters; to clarify provisions relating to dog control officers; to provide probate courts the authority to hear contested dog classification and confiscation cases and appeals of such cases under certain circumstances; to shorten time frames for actions involving confiscation and classifications of dogs; to change provisions relating to payment of cost of recovery and euthanasia; to provide for and change definitions; 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 2 of Chapter 8 of Title 4 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to responsible dog ownership, is amended by revising subsection (b) of Code Section 4-8-22, relating to designation of the dog control officer, as follows:

"(b) The governing authority of each local government shall designate ~~an individual~~ one or more individuals as dog control ~~officer~~ officers to aid in the administration and enforcement of the provisions of this article. An individual ~~A person~~ carrying out the duties of dog control officer shall not be authorized to make arrests unless ~~the person~~ he or she is a law enforcement officer having the powers of arrest."

SECTION 2.

Said article is further amended by revising Code Section 4-8-23, relating to investigations, notice, hearings, and determinations of dog control cases, as follows:

"4-8-23.

(a) For purposes of this Code section, the term:

(1) 'Animal shelter' shall have the same meaning as set forth in Code Section 4-14-2.

~~(1)~~(2) 'Authority' means an animal control board or local board of health, as determined by the governing authority of a local government.

~~(2)~~(3) 'Mail' means to send by certified mail or statutory overnight delivery to the recipient's last known address.

(b) Upon receiving a report of a dog believed to be subject to classification as a dangerous dog or vicious dog within a dog control officer's jurisdiction, the dog control officer shall make such investigations as necessary to determine whether such dog is subject to classification as a dangerous dog or vicious dog.

(c) When a dog control officer determines that a dog is subject to classification as a dangerous dog or vicious dog, the dog control officer shall mail a dated notice to the dog's owner within 72 hours. Such notice shall include a summary of the dog control officer's determination and shall state that the owner has a right to request a hearing from the authority on the dog control officer's determination within ~~15~~ seven days after the date shown on the notice; provided, however, that if an authority has not been established for the jurisdiction, the owner shall be informed of the right to request a hearing from the probate court for such jurisdiction where the dog was found or confiscated within seven days after the date shown on the notice. The notice shall ~~also~~ provide a form for requesting the hearing and shall state that if a hearing is not requested within the allotted time, the dog control officer's determination shall become effective for all purposes under this article. If an owner cannot be located within ten days of a dog control officer's determination that a dog is subject to classification as a dangerous dog or vicious dog, such dog may be released to an animal shelter or humanely euthanized, as determined by the dog control officer.

(d) When a hearing is requested by a dog owner in accordance with subsection (c) of this Code section, such hearing shall be scheduled within 30 days after the request is received; provided, however, that such hearing may be continued by the authority or probate court for good cause shown. At least ten days prior to the hearing, the authority or probate court conducting the hearing shall mail to the dog owner written notice of the date, time, and place of the hearing. At the hearing, the dog owner shall be given the opportunity to testify and present evidence and the authority or probate court conducting the hearing shall receive other evidence and testimony as may be reasonably necessary to sustain, modify, or overrule the dog control officer's determination.

(e) Within ten days after the hearing, the authority or probate court which conducted the hearing shall mail written notice to the dog owner of its determination on the matter. If such determination is that the dog is a dangerous dog or a vicious dog, the notice of classification shall specify the date upon which that determination shall be effective. If the determination is that the dog is to be euthanized pursuant to Code Section 4-8-26, the notice shall specify the date by which the euthanasia shall occur.

(f) Judicial review of the authority's final decision may be had in accordance with Code Section ~~50-13-19~~ 15-9-30.9. Judicial review of a probate court's final decision shall be in accordance with Code Section 5-3-2 and costs shall be paid as provided in Code Section 5-3-22."

SECTION 3.

Said article is further amended by revising Code Section 4-8-30, relating to payment of costs for recovery, as follows:

"4-8-30.

(a) A dangerous dog or vicious dog shall be immediately confiscated by any dog control officer or by a law enforcement officer in the case of any violation of this article. A refusal to surrender a dog subject to confiscation shall be a violation of this article.

(b) The owner of any dog that has been confiscated pursuant to this article may recover such dog upon payment of all reasonable confiscation and housing costs and proof of compliance with the provisions of this article, unless such confiscation is deemed to be in error by a dog control officer, an authority, as defined in Code Section 4-8-23, or a probate court. All fines and all charges for services performed by a law enforcement or dog control officer shall be paid prior to owner recovery of the dog. Criminal prosecution shall not be stayed due to owner recovery or euthanasia of the dog.

(c) In the event the owner has not complied with the provisions of this article within ~~20~~ 14 days of the date the dog was confiscated, such dog shall be ~~destroyed~~ released to an animal shelter, as such term is defined in Code Section 4-14-2, or euthanized in an expeditious and humane manner ~~and the~~. The owner may be required to pay the costs of housing and euthanasia."

SECTION 4.

Chapter 14 of Title 4 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to sterilizations of dogs and cats in animal shelters, is amended by revising paragraph (5) of Code Section 4-14-2, relating to definitions, as follows:

"(5) 'Sterilization' means rendering a dog or cat unable to reproduce by the surgical removal of ~~the~~ its reproductive organs ~~of a dog or cat in order to render the animal unable to reproduce~~ or by rendering a dog unable to reproduce by intratesticular injection approved by the federal government pursuant to 21 U.S.C. Section 360 as of March 7, 2014."

SECTION 5.

Article 2 of Chapter 9 of Title 15 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to jurisdiction, power, and duties of probate courts, is amended by adding a new Code section to read as follows:

"15-9-30.9.

(a) In addition to any other jurisdiction vested in the probate courts, such courts shall have the right and power to hear cases of violations of Article 2 of Chapter 8 of Title 4 and to impose:

(1) Civil penalties for such violations, other than euthanasia; and

(2) Criminal penalties for such violations as provided by Code Section 4-8-32.

(b) An appeal from a decision by an animal control board or local board of health pursuant to subsection (f) of Code Section 4-8-23 shall lie in probate court. No appeal shall be heard in probate court until costs which have accrued in the tribunal below have been paid, unless the appellant files with the probate court or with the tribunal appealed from an affidavit stating that because of indigence he or she is unable to pay

the costs on appeal. In all cases, no appeal shall be dismissed in the probate court because of nonpayment of the costs below until the appellant has been directed by the court to do so and has failed to comply with the court's direction.

(c) Filing of the notice of appeal and payment of costs or filing of an affidavit as provided in subsection (b) of this Code section shall act as supersedeas, and it shall not be necessary that a supersedeas bond be filed; provided, however, that the probate court upon motion may at any time require that supersedeas bond with good security be given in such amount as the court may deem necessary unless the appellant files with the court an affidavit stating that because of indigence he or she is unable to give bond."

SECTION 6.

This Act shall become effective on July 1, 2014, and shall apply to all violations and confiscations which occur on or after that date.

SECTION 7.

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	N Gregory	Y McCall	Y Sims, C
Y Alexander	Y Cooper	Y Hamilton	Y McClain	Y Smith, E
Y Allison	Y Dawkins-Haigler	Y Harbin	Y Meadows	Y Smith, L
Anderson	Y Deffenbaugh	Y Harden	E Mitchell	Smith, M
Y Atwood	Y Dempsey	Y Harrell	N Moore	Y Smith, R
Y Ballinger	Y Dickerson	Y Hatchett	Morgan	Y Smyre
Y Barr	Y Dickey	Y Hawkins	Y Morris	Y Spencer
Y Battles	Y Dickson	Henson	Y Mosby	Y Stephens, M
Beasley-Teague	Y Dollar	Y Hightower	Y Nimmer	Y Stephens, R
Y Bell	Y Douglas	Y Hitchens	Y Nix	Y Stephenson
Y Bennett	N Drenner	Y Holcomb	Y Oliver	Y Stovall
Y Bentley	Y Dudgeon	Y Holmes	Y O'Neal	Y Stover
E Benton	Dukes	Y Holt	Y Pak	Y Strickland
Beverly	Y Dunahoo	Y Houston	Y Parrish	Y Talton
Y Black	Y Duncan	Y Howard	Y Parsons	Y Tankersley
Y Braddock	Y Dutton	Y Hugley	Y Peake	Y Tanner
Y Broadrick	Y Efstration	Y Jackson	Y Pezold	Y Tarvin
Y Brockway	Y Ehrhart	Y Jacobs	Y Powell, A	Y Taylor, D
Y Brooks	Y England	Y Jasperse	Y Powell, J	Y Taylor, T
Y Bruce	Y Epps, C	Y Jones, J	Y Prince	Y Teasley
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Y Buckner	Y Evans	Y Jones, S	Y Quick	Y Turner
Y Burns	Y Fleming	Y Jordan	Y Ramsey	E Waites
Y Caldwell, J	Floyd	Y Kaiser	Y Randall	Y Watson, B
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Y Carson	Y Frazier	Y Kendrick	Y Riley	E Welch

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Y Channell	Y Gasaway	Y Lindsey	Y Rutledge	Y Willard
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Y Coleman	Y Gravley	Y Maxwell	Y Shaw	Y Yates
Y Cooke	Y Greene	Y Mayo	Y Sims, B	Ralston, Speaker

On the passage of the Bill, by substitute, the ayes were 162, nays 3.

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

SB 281. By Senator Hill of the 32nd:

A BILL to be entitled an Act to amend Part 1 of Article 1 of Chapter 18 of Title 45 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to state employees' health insurance plan, so as to require that a high deductible health care plan with a health savings account be offered as an option for persons covered under the state employees' health insurance plan; 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.

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

Y Abrams	Y Coomer	Y Gregory	Y McCall	Y Sims, C
N Alexander	Y Cooper	Y Hamilton	Y McClain	Y Smith, E
Y Allison	Y Dawkins-Haigler	Y Harbin	Y Meadows	Y Smith, L
Y Anderson	Y Deffenbaugh	Y Harden	E Mitchell	Y Smith, M
Y Atwood	Y Dempsey	Y Harrell	Y Moore	Y Smith, R
Y Ballinger	Y Dickerson	Y Hatchett	Y Morgan	Y Smyre
Y Barr	Y Dickey	Y Hawkins	Y Morris	Y Spencer
Y Battles	Y Dickson	Y Henson	Y Mosby	Y Stephens, M
Beasley-Teague	Y Dollar	Y Hightower	Y Nimmer	Y Stephens, R
Y Bell	Y Douglas	Y Hitchens	Y Nix	N Stephenson
Y Bennett	Y Drenner	Y Holcomb	Y Oliver	Y Stovall
Y Bentley	Y Dudgeon	Y Holmes	Y O'Neal	Y Stover
E Benton	Y Dukes	Y Holt	Y Pak	Y Strickland
Beverly	Y Dunahoo	Y Houston	Y Parrish	Y Talton
Y Black	Y Duncan	Y Howard	Y Parsons	Y Tankersley
Y Braddock	Y Dutton	Y Hugley	Y Peake	Y Tanner
Y Broadrick	Y Efstration	Y Jackson	Y Pezold	Y Tarvin
Y Brockway	Y Ehrhart	Y Jacobs	Y Powell, A	Y Taylor, D
Y Brooks	Y England	Y Jasperse	Y Powell, J	Y Taylor, T
Y Bruce	Y Epps, C	Jones, J	Y Prince	Y Teasley

Y Bryant	Y Epps, J	Y Jones, L	Y Pruett	Y Thomas, A.M.
Y Buckner	Y Evans	Y Jones, S	Y Quick	Y Turner
Y Burns	Y Fleming	Y Jordan	Y Ramsey	E Waites
Y Caldwell, J	Y Floyd	Y Kaiser	Y Randall	Y Watson, B
Y Caldwell, M	Y Fludd	Y Kelley	Y Rice	Y Watson, S
Y Carson	Y Frazier	Y Kendrick	Y Riley	E Welch
Y Carter	Y Frye	Kidd	Y Roberts	Y Weldon
Y Casas	Y Fullerton	Y Kirby	Y Rogers, C	Y Wilkerson
Y Chandler	Gardner	Y Knight	Y Rogers, T	Y Wilkinson
Y Channell	Y Gasaway	Y Lindsey	Y Rutledge	Y Willard
Y Chapman	Y Geisinger	Y Lumsden	Y Rynders	Y Williams, A
Y Cheokas	Y Glanton	Y Mabra	Y Scott	Y Williams, C
Y Clark, J	Y Golick	Y Marin	Y Setzler	Y Williams, E
Y Clark, V	Y Gordon	Y Martin	Y Sharper	Y Williamson
Coleman	Y Gravley	Y Maxwell	Y Shaw	Y Yates
Y Cooke	Y Greene	Y Mayo	Y Sims, B	Ralston, Speaker

On the passage of the Bill, the ayes were 167, nays 2.

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

The Speaker announced the House in recess until 6:50 o'clock, this evening

The Speaker called the House to order.

The following messages were received from the Senate through Mr. Cook, the Secretary thereof:

Mr. Speaker:

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

HB 845. By Representatives Strickland of the 111th, Powell of the 171st, Rutledge of the 109th, Bruce of the 61st, Pruett of the 149th and others:

A BILL to be entitled an Act to amend Code Section 50-18-72 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to when public disclosure is not required, so as to prohibit the disclosure of arrest booking photographs except under certain circumstances; to provide for related matters; to repeal conflicting laws; and for other purposes.

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

HB 915. By Representatives Clark of the 98th, Barr of the 103rd, Peake of the 141st, Ramsey of the 72nd, Williamson of the 115th and others:

A BILL to be entitled an Act to amend Article 34 of Chapter 1 of Title 10 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to identity theft, so as to provide for security freezes for minors; to provide for definitions; to provide for requirements for requesting and executing such security freezes; to provide for removal of such security freezes; to provide for fees; to provide for exceptions; to provide for penalties; to provide for related matters; to repeal conflicting laws; and for other purposes.

Mr. Speaker:

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

HB 1108. By Representatives Gravley of the 67th, Alexander of the 66th, Jones of the 62nd, Hightower of the 68th and Beasley-Teague of the 65th:

A BILL to be entitled an Act to amend an Act creating the Douglas County Board of Education, approved April 13, 1982 (Ga. L. 1982, p. 4786), as amended, particularly by an Act approved February 27, 2012 (Ga. L. 2012, p. 3717), so as to provide for compensation of members; to provide for related matters; to provide an effective date; to repeal conflicting laws; and for other purposes.

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

HB 1042. By Representatives Dempsey of the 13th, Coleman of the 97th, Teasley of the 37th, Watson of the 172nd and Clark of the 98th:

A BILL to be entitled an Act to amend Chapter 6 of Title 43 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to auctioneers, so as to change certain provisions relative to auctioneers and the auction business; to provide and change certain definitions applicable to the licensing of auctioneers and those engaged in the business of auctioning; to eliminate the authority for the Georgia Auctioneers Commission to issue apprentice auctioneer licenses and remove any references to such licenses; to provide for gender neutrality; to provide for related matters; to repeal conflicting laws; and for other purposes.

Mr. Speaker:

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

HB 973. By Representatives Lindsey of the 54th, Willard of the 51st, Ramsey of the 72nd, Dempsey of the 13th and Evans of the 42nd:

A BILL to be entitled an Act to amend Article 7B of Chapter 4 of Title 49 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to false Medicaid claims, so as to provide for changes to civil penalties for false or fraudulent Medicaid claims; to provide for a definition; to revise certain provisions relating to when the court shall dismiss a civil action or claim; to provide for related matters; to repeal conflicting laws; and for other purposes.

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

HB 295. By Representatives Battles of the 15th and Powell of the 171st:

A BILL to be entitled an Act to amend Title 48 of the O.C.G.A., relating to revenue and taxation, so as to provide for the comprehensive revision of provisions regarding ad valorem taxation, assessment, and appeal; to provide for related matters; to provide for an effective date; to repeal conflicting laws; and for other purposes.

HB 737. By Representatives Harrell of the 106th, Spencer of the 180th, Powell of the 32nd and Mitchell of the 88th:

A BILL to be entitled an Act to amend Chapter 5 of Title 3 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to malt beverages, so as to allow malt beverages produced in private residences to be transported to other locations and consumed by the producer and other individuals; to clarify certain provisions relating to the duties of a local governing authority desiring to allow home-brew special events to be conducted within its jurisdiction; to provide for related matters; to repeal conflicting laws; and for other purposes.

Mr. Speaker:

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

HB 715. By Representatives Hamilton of the 24th, Peake of the 141st, Powell of the 171st, Smith of the 70th, Burns of the 159th and others:

A BILL to be entitled an Act to amend Part 1 of Article 7 of Chapter 3 of Title 12 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to the Jekyll Island-State Park Authority, so as to revise the powers and responsibilities of the

authority; to define terms; to revise the components of the master plan; to clarify development powers and restrictions for the authority; to repeal conflicting laws; and for other purposes.

The following Resolutions of the House were read and adopted:

HR 1980. By Representatives Waites of the 60th and Scott of the 76th:

A RESOLUTION recognizing and commending Georgia Prosthetics; and for other purposes.

HR 1981. By Representative Kirby of the 114th:

A RESOLUTION commending Katie Bostic, Loganville Christian Academy's 2014 STAR Student; and for other purposes.

HR 1982. By Representative Kirby of the 114th:

A RESOLUTION commending Zijian Peng, Loganville High School's 2014 STAR Student; and for other purposes.

HR 1983. By Representatives Anderson of the 92nd, Dawkins-Haigler of the 91st, Stephenson of the 90th, Dickerson of the 113th, Rutledge of the 109th and others:

A RESOLUTION recognizing and commending Rockdale Medical Center for receiving the High Five Award; and for other purposes.

HR 1984. By Representatives Howard of the 124th, Smith of the 125th, Frazier of the 126th, Stephens of the 165th and Fludd of the 64th:

A RESOLUTION recognizing and commending Axel D. Adams; and for other purposes.

HR 1985. By Representatives Howard of the 124th, Douglas of the 78th, Smith of the 125th, Frazier of the 126th, Stephens of the 165th and others:

A RESOLUTION recognizing and commending Justin DeLoach; and for other purposes.

HR 1986. By Representatives Waites of the 60th and Scott of the 76th:

A RESOLUTION recognizing and commending Atlanta Metropolitan State College; and for other purposes.

HR 1987. By Representatives Waites of the 60th and Scott of the 76th:

A RESOLUTION recognizing and commending the Georgia Aquarium; and for other purposes.

HR 1988. By Representatives Waites of the 60th and Scott of the 76th:

A RESOLUTION recognizing and commending The Home Depot Foundation; and for other purposes.

HR 1989. By Representative Beverly of the 143rd:

A RESOLUTION honoring the life and memory of Bishop John Lester Cotton; and for other purposes.

HR 1990. By Representative Beverly of the 143rd:

A RESOLUTION recognizing and commending Reverend Derek M. Dumas on the occasion of his 7th pastoral anniversary; and for other purposes.

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

SB 339. By Senators Stone of the 23rd and Hufstetler of the 52nd:

A BILL to be entitled an Act to amend Title 47 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to retirement and pensions, so as to revise, modernize, and correct errors or omissions in said title in furtherance of the work of the Code Revision Commission; to provide for effect in event of conflicts; to provide an effective date; to repeal conflicting laws; and for other purposes.

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

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

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

On the passage of the Bill, the ayes were 121, nays 44.

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

SB 391. By Senators Balfour of the 9th, Harbison of the 15th, Hill of the 6th, Davis of the 22nd and Dugan of the 30th:

A BILL to be entitled an Act to amend Article 1 of Chapter 7 of Title 31 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to regulation of hospitals and related institutions, so as to provide that each medical facility shall make a good faith application to the southern regional TRICARE managed care support coordinator to join the TRICARE network; to provide for oversight; to provide for related matters; to repeal conflicting laws; and for other purposes.

Representative O`Neal of the 146th moved that SB 391 be placed upon the table.

The motion prevailed.

SB 324. By Senators Stone of the 23rd, Wilkinson of the 50th, Ginn of the 47th, Hufstetler of the 52nd, Jeffares of the 17th and others:

A BILL to be entitled an Act to amend Code Sections 35-8-2, 45-9-81, 45-9-101, and 49-4A-8 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to definitions for employing and training of peace officers, definitions for the Georgia State Indemnification Fund, definitions for the Temporary Disability Compensation Program, and commitment of delinquent children, respectively, so as to harmonize definitions relating to peace officers employed or appointed by the Department of Juvenile Justice regarding their duties; 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.

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

Y Abrams	Y Coomer	N Gregory	N McCall	Y Sims, C
Y Alexander	Cooper	Y Hamilton	Y McClain	Y Smith, E
Y Allison	Y Dawkins-Haigler	Y Harbin	Y Meadows	Y Smith, L
Y Anderson	Y Deffenbaugh	Harden	E Mitchell	Y Smith, M
Y Atwood	E Dempsey	Y Harrell	N Moore	Y Smith, R
Y Ballinger	Y Dickerson	Y Hatchett	Y Morgan	Y Smyre
N Barr	Y Dickey	Y Hawkins	Y Morris	Y Spencer
Y Battles	Y Dickson	Y Henson	Y Mosby	Y Stephens, M
Y Beasley-Teague	N Dollar	Y Hightower	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 Stover
E Benton	Y Dukes	Y Holt	Y Pak	Y Strickland
Y Beverly	Y Dunahoo	Y Houston	Y Parrish	Y Talton
Y Black	Duncan	Y Howard	Y Parsons	Y Tankersley
Y Braddock	Y Dutton	Y Hugley	Y Peake	Y Tanner
Y Broadrick	Y Efstration	Y Jackson	Y Pezold	Y Tarvin
Y Brockway	N Ehrhart	Y Jacobs	Y Powell, A	Y Taylor, D
Y Brooks	Y England	Y Jasperse	Y Powell, J	Y Taylor, T
Y Bruce	Y Epps, C	Y Jones, J	Y Prince	E Teasley
Y Bryant	Y Epps, J	Y Jones, L	Y Pruett	Y Thomas, A.M.
Y Buckner	Y Evans	Y Jones, S	Y Quick	Y Turner
Y Burns	Y Fleming	Y Jordan	Y Ramsey	E Waites
Y Caldwell, J	Y Floyd	Y Kaiser	Y Randall	Y Watson, B
Y Caldwell, M	Y Fludd	N Kelley	Y Rice	Y Watson, S
Y Carson	Y Frazier	Y Kendrick	Y Riley	E Welch
Y Carter	Y Frye	Kidd	N Roberts	Y Weldon

Y Casas	Y Fullerton	Y Kirby	Y Rogers, C	Y Wilkerson
Y Chandler	Y Gardner	Y Knight	Y Rogers, T	Y Wilkinson
Y Channell	Y Gasaway	Y Lindsey	Rutledge	Y Willard
Y Chapman	Y Geisinger	Y Lumsden	Y Rynders	Y Williams, A
Y Cheokas	Y Glanton	Y Mabra	Y Scott	Y Williams, C
Y Clark, J	Y Golick	Y Marin	Y Setzler	Y Williams, E
Y Clark, V	Y Gordon	Y Martin	Y Sharper	Y Williamson
Y Coleman	Y Gravley	Y Maxwell	Y Shaw	Y Yates
Y Cooke	Y Greene	Y Mayo	Sims, B	Ralston, Speaker

On the passage of the Bill, the ayes were 159, nays 8.

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

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

Mr. Speaker:

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

HR 550 Do Pass, by Substitute

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

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

SB 341. By Senators Stone of the 23rd, Bethel of the 54th, Ligon, Jr. of the 3rd and Crosby of the 13th:

A BILL to be entitled an Act to amend Code Section 15-9-36 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to judges of probate courts as clerks thereof, chief clerk, authority to appoint other clerks, and powers of appointed clerks, so as to repeal a population provision relative to a clerk's authority to act on uncontested matters; to provide for a clerk's authority to act on uncontested matters; to provide for related matters; to repeal conflicting laws; and for other purposes.

The following amendment was read and adopted:

Representative Fleming of the 121st et al. offer the following amendment:

Amend SB 341 (LC 29 5845) by replacing lines 1 through 6 with the following:
To amend Chapter 9 of Title 15 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to probate courts, so as to repeal a population provision relative to a clerk's authority to act on uncontested matters; to provide for a clerk's authority to act on uncontested matters; to change provisions relating to compensation for probate judges; to provide for related matters; to provide an effective date; to repeal conflicting laws; and for other purposes.

By replacing lines 9 through 11 with the following:
Chapter 9 of Title 15 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to probate courts, is amended in Code Section 15-9-36, relating to judges of probate courts as clerks thereof, chief clerk, authority to appoint other clerks, and powers of appointed clerks, by repealing subsection (c) and enacting a new subsection (c)

By inserting between lines 21 and 22 the following:
Said chapter is further amended by revising paragraph (3) of subsection (a) of Code Section 15-9-63, relating to schedule of minimum salaries, as follows:

"(3) The county governing authority may supplement the minimum annual salary of the judge of the probate court in such amount as it may fix from time to time; but no probate judge's compensation supplement shall be decreased during any term of office. A county governing authority shall not be required to pay a local supplement to a judge beyond the term of office for which such supplement was approved. Any prior expenditure of county funds to supplement the probate judge's salary in the manner authorized by this paragraph is ratified and confirmed. Nothing contained in this paragraph shall prohibit the General Assembly by local law from supplementing the annual salary of the probate judge."

SECTION 3.

Said chapter is further amended by revising subsection (a) of Code Section 15-9-63.1, relating to compensation for services as magistrate or chief magistrate, as follows:

"(a) Beginning January 1, 2002, in any county in which the probate judge serves as chief magistrate or magistrate, he or she shall be compensated for such services based on a minimum annual amount of $11,642.54; provided, however, that compensation for a probate judge shall not be reduced during his or her term of office. A county governing authority shall not be required to pay the compensation provided by this subsection beyond the term for which such probate judge serves as a chief magistrate or magistrate."

SECTION 4.

Said chapter is further amended by revising Code Section 15-9-64, relating to supplementation of minimum salaries, as follows:

"15-9-64.

The amount of minimum salary provided in Code Section 15-9-63 for the judges of the probate courts of any county presently on a salary who also hold and conduct elections or are responsible for conducting elections for members of the General Assembly under any applicable general or local law of this state shall be increased by $323.59 per month. The amount of the minimum salary provided in Code Section 15-9-63 for the judges of the probate courts on a salary who are responsible for traffic cases under any general or local law of this state shall also be increased by $404.41 per month. A county governing authority shall not be required to pay the compensation provided by this Code section beyond the term for which such judge performs such services."

SECTION 5.

This Act shall become effective upon its approval by the Governor or upon its becoming law without such approval.

SECTION 6.

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

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

Abrams	Y Coomer	N Gregory	N McCall	Y Sims, C
Y Alexander	Y Cooper	Y Hamilton	Y McClain	E Smith, E
Y Allison	Y Dawkins-Haigler	Y Harbin	N Meadows	Y Smith, L
Y Anderson	Y Deffenbaugh	Y Harden	E Mitchell	Y Smith, M
Y Atwood	E Dempsey	Y Harrell	Y Moore	Y Smith, R
Y Ballinger	Y Dickerson	Y Hatchett	Y Morgan	Y Smyre
Y Barr	Y Dickey	Y Hawkins	N Morris	Y Spencer
Y Battles	Y Dickson	Y Henson	Y Mosby	Y Stephens, M
Y Beasley-Teague	Dollar	Y Hightower	N 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	N Stover
E Benton	Y Dukes	Y Holt	Y Pak	Y Strickland
Y Beverly	Y Dunahoo	Y Houston	Y Parrish	Y Talton
Y Black	Duncan	Y Howard	Y Parsons	Y Tankersley
Y Braddock	N Dutton	Y Hugley	Peake	Y Tanner
Y Broadrick	Y Efstration	Y Jackson	Y Pezold	Y Tarvin
Y Brockway	N Ehrhart	Jacobs	Y Powell, A	Y Taylor, D
Y Brooks	N England	Y Jasperse	Y Powell, J	Y Taylor, T
Y Bruce	Y Epps, C	Y Jones, J	Y Prince	Y Teasley
Y Bryant	Y Epps, J	Y Jones, L	Y Pruett	Y Thomas, A.M.
Y Buckner	Y Evans	Y Jones, S	Y Quick	Y Turner
Y Burns	Y Fleming	Y Jordan	Y Ramsey	E Waites
Y Caldwell, J	Y Floyd	Y Kaiser	Y Randall	Y Watson, B
Y Caldwell, M	Y Fludd	Y Kelley	Y Rice	Y Watson, S
Y Carson	Y Frazier	Y Kendrick	Y Riley	E Welch

Y Carter	Y Frye	Kidd	N Roberts	Y Weldon
Y Casas	Y Fullerton	Y Kirby	Y Rogers, C	Y Wilkerson
Y Chandler	Y Gardner	Y Knight	Y Rogers, T	Y Wilkinson
Y Channell	Y Gasaway	Y Lindsey	Y Rutledge	Y Willard
N Chapman	Y Geisinger	Y Lumsden	N Rynders	Y Williams, A
Y Cheokas	Y Glanton	Y Mabra	Y Scott	Y Williams, C
Y Clark, J	Y Golick	Y Marin	Y Setzler	Y Williams, E
Y Clark, V	Y Gordon	Y Martin	Y Sharper	Y Williamson
Y Coleman	Y Gravley	Y Maxwell	N Shaw	Y Yates
Y Cooke	Y Greene	Y Mayo	Sims, B	Ralston, Speaker

On the passage of the Bill, as amended, the ayes were 153, nays 13.

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

SB 336. By Senators Ligon, Jr. of the 3rd, Albers of the 56th, Mullis of the 53rd, Miller of the 49th, Tolleson of the 20th and others:

A BILL to be entitled an Act to amend Chapter 10 of Title 43 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to cosmetologists, so as to provide that the fines imposed by the State Board of Cosmetology for certain violations shall not exceed certain specified amounts; to provide for related matters; to provide an effective date and applicability; to repeal conflicting laws; and for other purposes.

The following amendment was read and adopted:

Representative Atwood of the 179th et al. offer the following amendment:

Amend SB 336 (LC 36 2470) by inserting after "as" *on line 2 the following:*
to revise certain provisions relative to cosmetologists; to lower the minimum age requirement for learning the occupation of cosmetology, hair design, esthetics, or nail care or manicuring under a cosmetologist;

By deleting line 9 and inserting in lieu thereof the following:
is amended by revising subsection (a) of Code Section 43-10-14, relating to study by persons 17 years of age and older, registration of apprentices, registration certificate, and waiver of education requirements, as follows:

"(a) Nothing in this chapter shall prohibit any person at least ~~17~~ 16 years of age from learning the occupation of cosmetology under a master cosmetologist, provided that such cosmetologist has had at least 36 months' experience and has held a certificate of a master cosmetologist for at least 36 months. In addition, nothing in this chapter shall prohibit any person at least ~~17~~ 16 years of age from learning the occupation of cosmetology under an instructor in a school of cosmetology who has been a

cosmetologist for a period of at least one year and has registered under this chapter. Nothing in this chapter shall prohibit any person at least ~~17~~ 16 years of age from learning the occupation of hair designer under a cosmetologist holding a master cosmetologist certificate or a hair design certificate, provided that such cosmetologist has had at least 36 months' experience or, under an instructor in a school of cosmetology or school of hair design who has held a certificate as a cosmetologist for a period of at least one year, is qualified to teach ~~said~~ such practices and has registered under this chapter. Nothing in this chapter shall prohibit any person at least ~~17~~ 16 years of age from learning the occupation of esthetics under a cosmetologist holding a master cosmetologist certificate or an esthetician certificate, provided that such cosmetologist has had at least 36 months' experience or, under an instructor in a school of cosmetology or school of esthetics who has held a certificate as a cosmetologist for a period of at least one year, is qualified to teach said practices and has registered under this chapter. Nothing in this chapter shall prohibit any person at least ~~17~~ 16 years of age from learning the occupation of nail care or manicuring under a cosmetologist holding a master cosmetologist certificate or a nail technician certificate, provided that such cosmetologist has had at least 36 months' experience or, under an instructor in a school of cosmetology or school of nail care who has been a licensed cosmetologist for a period of at least one year, is qualified to teach ~~said~~ such practices and has registered under this chapter. Any person registered as an apprentice under this Code section on June 30, 1997, shall be eligible to continue such apprenticeship under the person from whom that apprentice was learning the occupation of cosmetology, hair design, esthetics, or nail care or manicuring at the time of registration notwithstanding that the person under whom the apprentice was learning such occupation does not meet the 36 months' experience otherwise required by this Code section. Every shop owner shall have the responsibility for registering apprentices with the division director. The shop owner shall file a statement in writing, showing the apprentice's name and the address of the shop. The board shall have the authority to require the shop owner to furnish to the board the number of hours completed by the apprentice. The shop owner shall remit to the division director a fee in such amount as shall be set by the board by regulation for the registration of the apprentice. The apprentice shall receive a certificate of registration showing the capacity in which he or she is permitted to practice cosmetology. The certificate of registration shall be effective for a period of two years and may be renewed at the end of such period upon the filing of an application on forms furnished by the division director and the payment of a renewal fee in such amount as shall be set by the board by regulation. A certificate of registration authorizing a person to learn the occupation of cosmetology under a cosmetologist shall not be renewed more than one time; and, upon the expiration of the last certificate of registration issued, such person shall not be permitted to practice in any capacity."

SECTION 1A.

Said chapter is further amended by revising Code Section 43-10-15, relating to suspension, revocation,

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

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

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

On the passage of the Bill, as amended, the ayes were 156, nays 8.

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

SB 337. By Senators Ligon, Jr. of the 3rd, Albers of the 56th, Mullis of the 53rd, Tolleson of the 20th, Miller of the 49th and others:

A BILL to be entitled an Act to amend Chapter 7 of Title 43 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to barbers, so as to provide that the fines imposed by the State Board of Barbers for certain violations shall not exceed certain specified amounts; to provide for related matters; to provide an effective date and applicability; 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 Gregory	Y McCall	Sims, C
Y Alexander	Y Cooper	Y Hamilton	Y McClain	E Smith, E
Y Allison	Y Dawkins-Haigler	Y Harbin	Y Meadows	Y Smith, L
Y Anderson	Y Deffenbaugh	Y Harden	E Mitchell	Y Smith, M
Y Atwood	Y Dempsey	Y Harrell	Y Moore	Y Smith, R
Y Ballinger	Y Dickerson	Y Hatchett	Y Morgan	Y Smyre
Y Barr	Y Dickey	Y Hawkins	Y Morris	Y Spencer
Y Battles	Y Dickson	Y Henson	Y Mosby	Y Stephens, M
Y Beasley-Teague	Y Dollar	Y Hightower	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 Stover
E Benton	Y Dukes	Y Holt	Y Pak	Y Strickland
Y Beverly	Y Dunahoo	Y Houston	Y Parrish	Y Talton
Y Black	Y Duncan	Y Howard	Y Parsons	Y Tankersley
Y Braddock	Y Dutton	Y Hugley	Peake	Y Tanner
Y Broadrick	Y Efstration	Y Jackson	Y Pezold	Y Tarvin
Y Brockway	Y Ehrhart	Y Jacobs	Y Powell, A	Y Taylor, D
Y Brooks	Y England	Y Jasperse	Y Powell, J	Y Taylor, T
Y Bruce	Y Epps, C	Y Jones, J	Y Prince	Teasley
Y Bryant	Y Epps, J	Jones, L	Y Pruett	Y Thomas, A.M.
Y Buckner	Y Evans	Y Jones, S	N Quick	Y Turner
Y Burns	Y Fleming	Y Jordan	Y Ramsey	E Waites
Y Caldwell, J	Y Floyd	Y Kaiser	Y Randall	Y Watson, B
Y Caldwell, M	Y Fludd	Y Kelley	Rice	Y Watson, S
Y Carson	Y Frazier	Y Kendrick	Y Riley	E Welch
Y Carter	Y Frye	Kidd	Y Roberts	Y Weldon
Y Casas	Y Fullerton	Y Kirby	Y Rogers, C	Y Wilkerson
Y Chandler	Y Gardner	Y Knight	Y Rogers, T	Y Wilkinson
Channell	Y Gasaway	Y Lindsey	Y Rutledge	Y Willard
Y Chapman	Y Geisinger	Y Lumsden	Y Rynders	Y Williams, A
Y Cheokas	Y Glanton	Y Mabra	Y Scott	Y Williams, C
Y Clark, J	Y Golick	Y Marin	Y Setzler	Y Williams, E
Y Clark, V	Y Gordon	Y Martin	Y Sharper	Y Williamson
Y Coleman	Y Gravley	Y Maxwell	Y Shaw	Y Yates
Y Cooke	Y Greene	Y Mayo	Sims, B	Ralston, Speaker

On the passage of the Bill, the ayes were 165, nays 1.

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

SB 367. By Senator Hill of the 6th:

A BILL to be entitled an Act to amend Code Section 50-8-84 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to composition of membership of metropolitan area planning and development commissions and redistricting of areas removed from jurisdiction of existing commission, so as to change the eligibility to be a member of a commission; to provide for related matters; to repeal conflicting laws; and for other purposes.

The following amendment was read and adopted:

Representatives Jacobs of the 80th and Abrams of the 89th offer the following amendment:

Amend SB 367 (LC 28 7004ER) by inserting after "To" *on line 1* "amend Code Section 45-5-6 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to public official investigated by special commission upon indictment, gubernatorial review if commission recommends suspension, suspension, reinstatement, and replacement officer, so as to provide for the appointment of a temporary replacement officer under certain circumstances; to" *and by inserting after* "matters;" *on line 4* "to provide for an effective date and applicability;".

By redesignating Section 1 as Section 2 and inserting after line 6 the following:

SECTION 1.

Code Section 45-5-6 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to public official investigated by special commission upon indictment, gubernatorial review if commission recommends suspension, suspension, reinstatement, and replacement officer, is amended by adding a new subsection to read as follows:

"(j) Unless otherwise provided by local law, in the event the Governor appoints a member of a governing authority as a temporary replacement for a suspended public official under paragraph (1) of subsection (d) of this Code section, the governing authority, by majority vote, shall select a temporary replacement who is qualified by law to serve as such member of the governing authority, to fill such member's seat on the governing authority until such time as the suspension of the public official is terminated or the end of such member's current term on the governing authority, whichever is earlier. Before selecting such temporary replacement, the governing authority shall advertise its intention to select such temporary replacement in the applicable legal organ at least once a week for two weeks and on the governing

authority's website, if it has one, and shall solicit applicants for such temporary replacement position."

By striking lines 15 and 16 and inserting in lieu thereof the following:

SECTION 3.

This Act shall become effective upon its approval by the Governor or upon its becoming law without such approval, and Section 1 shall enable the temporary replacement of all persons serving as temporary replacements for suspended public officials on the effective date of this Act as well as the temporary replacement of all persons appointed as temporary replacements for suspended public officials on and after the effective date of this Act.

SECTION 4.

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, was agreed to, as amended.

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

Y Abrams	Y Coomer	N Gregory	N McCall	Y Sims, C
Y Alexander	Y Cooper	E Hamilton	Y McClain	E Smith, E
N Allison	N Dawkins-Haigler	N Harbin	Y Meadows	Y Smith, L
N Anderson	Y Deffenbaugh	Y Harden	E Mitchell	Y Smith, M
Y Atwood	Y Dempsey	N Harrell	Y Moore	Y Smith, R
N Ballinger	Y Dickerson	Y Hatchett	Y Morgan	N Smyre
Y Barr	Y Dickey	Y Hawkins	N Morris	N Spencer
Y Battles	Y Dickson	Y Henson	N Mosby	Y Stephens, M
N Beasley-Teague	Y Dollar	Y Hightower	Y Nimmer	Y Stephens, R
Y Bell	Y Douglas	Y Hitchens	Y Nix	Stephenson
Bennett	Y Drenner	Y Holcomb	Y Oliver	Y Stovall
Y Bentley	Y Dudgeon	Y Holmes	Y O'Neal	N Stover
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Y Black	Y Duncan	Y Howard	Y Parsons	Y Tankersley
Y Braddock	N Dutton	Y Hugley	Peake	Y Tanner
Y Broadrick	Y Efstration	Y Jackson	N Pezold	N Tarvin
Y Brockway	N Ehrhart	Y Jacobs	Y Powell, A	Y Taylor, D
Y Brooks	Y England	N Jasperse	Y Powell, J	Y Taylor, T
Y Bruce	Y Epps, C	Y Jones, J	Y Prince	N Teasley
Y Bryant	Y Epps, J	Y Jones, L	Y Pruett	Y Thomas, A.M.
Y Buckner	Y Evans	Y Jones, S	N Quick	Y Turner
N Burns	Y Fleming	Y Jordan	Y Ramsey	E Waites
Y Caldwell, J	Y Floyd	Y Kaiser	Y Randall	Y Watson, B
Y Caldwell, M	N Fludd	Y Kelley	Y Rice	Y Watson, S
Y Carson	Y Frazier	Y Kendrick	Y Riley	E Welch
Y Carter	Y Frye	Kidd	N Roberts	Y Weldon

Y Casas	Y Fullerton	Y Kirby	Y Rogers, C	Y Wilkerson
Y Chandler	Y Gardner	Y Knight	N Rogers, T	Y Wilkinson
Y Channell	Y Gasaway	Y Lindsey	Y Rutledge	Y Willard
N Chapman	Y Geisinger	Y Lumsden	Y Rynders	Y Williams, A
Y Cheokas	Y Glanton	Y Mabra	N Scott	Y Williams, C
Y Clark, J	Y Golick	Y Marin	Y Setzler	N Williams, E
Y Clark, V	Y Gordon	N Martin	N Sharper	Y Williamson
Y Coleman	Y Gravley	Y Maxwell	N Shaw	Y Yates
N Cooke	Y Greene	Y Mayo	Y Sims, B	Ralston, Speaker

On the passage of the Bill, as amended, the ayes were 136, nays 33.

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

SB 298. By Senators Murphy of the 27th, Unterman of the 45th, Mullis of the 53rd, Burke of the 11th, Hufstetler of the 52nd and others:

A BILL to be entitled an Act to amend Code Section 40-2-74.1 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to special vehicle decals for persons with disabilities, so as to provide for the submission of a doctor's prescription with an application for a special parking decal for persons with disabilities in lieu of an affidavit when a notary public is not available; to provide for related matters; to repeal conflicting laws; and for other purposes.

The following Committee substitute was read:

A BILL TO BE ENTITLED
AN ACT

To amend Title 40 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to motor vehicles and traffic, so as to enact recommendations of the House Comprehensive Motor Vehicle and Traffic Reform Study Committee; to correct cross-references; to amend Code Section 3-3-23.1, Article 1 of Chapter 18 of Title 15, Code Sections 17-10-3, 33-9-42, and 42-8-112, Title 40, Title 43, and Article 1 of Chapter 7 of Title 52 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to procedures and penalties for furnishing alcohol to persons under 21 years of age, general provisions for prosecuting attorneys, punishment for misdemeanors generally, reduction in premiums for motor vehicle liability, first-party medical, and collision coverages, timing for the issuance of certain limited driving permits, motor vehicles and traffic, professions and businesses, and general provisions for registration, operation, and sale of watercraft, respectively, so as to clarify provisions relating to the Department of Driver Services' certification and approval of certain driver improvement programs; to amend Article 2 of Chapter 5 of Title 40 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to issuance, expiration, and renewal of licenses, so as to clarify provisions relating to driving without a driver's license and examination of license

applicants; to provide for an additional method of demonstrating proof of license; to amend Code Section 40-2-74.1 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to special vehicle decals for persons with disabilities, so as to provide for the submission of a doctor's prescription with an application for a special parking decal in lieu of an affidavit; to amend Code Section 40-6-391 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to driving under the influence of alcohol, drugs, or other intoxicating substances, so as to require the completion of certain educational programs within a determined time-frame; to amend Article 4 of Chapter 5 of Title 40 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to restoration of licenses to persons completing defensive driving course or alcohol or drug program, so as to increase the fees that may be charged; to provide for related matters; to provide for an effective date; to repeal conflicting laws; and for other purposes.

BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF GEORGIA:

PART I
DEPARTMENT OF DRIVER SERVICES
CERTIFIED OR APPROVED DRIVING PROGRAMS

SECTION 1-1.

Code Section 3-3-23.1 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to procedures and penalties for furnishing alcohol to persons under 21 years of age, is amended by revising subsection (f) as follows:

"(f) In addition to any other punishment or sentence, the court may order all persons convicted under subsection (b) of this Code section or sentenced under subsection (c) of this Code section to complete a DUI Alcohol or Drug Use Risk Reduction Program ~~prescribed~~ certified by the Department of Driver Services within 120 days of such conviction or sentence. Failure to complete such program within 120 days shall be contempt of court and shall be punished by a fine of not more than $300.00 or 20 ~~days~~ days' imprisonment, or both. If the conviction or sentence results from a charge of unlawful possession of alcoholic beverages while operating a motor vehicle, the court shall report such conviction or sentence to the Department of Driver Services within ten days after conviction or sentencing."

SECTION 1-2.

Article 1 of Chapter 18 of Title 15 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to general provisions for prosecuting attorneys, is amended by adding a new Code section to read as follows:

"15-18-31.

When a prosecuting attorney determines that prosecution of a traffic offense, or municipal ordinance involving a traffic offense, is or is not warranted, and regardless of whether a court order is entered for such offense or a referral is made to a pretrial intervention, pretrial release, pretrial diversion program, or other similar pretrial

program, a prosecuting attorney may condition any other action regarding such offense upon the satisfactory completion of a defensive driving course or defensive driving program approved by the Department of Driver Services but shall not be authorized to mandate the completion of any other driving program."

SECTION 1-3.

Code Section 17-10-3 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to punishment for misdemeanors generally, is amended by revising paragraph (2) of subsection (d) as follows:

"(2) Satisfactory completion of a defensive driving course or defensive driving program approved by the Department of Driver Services ~~Attendance at, and satisfactory completion of, a driver improvement course meeting standards approved by the court~~;"

SECTION 1-4.

Code Section 33-9-42 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to reduction in premiums for motor vehicle liability, first-party medical, and collision coverages for certain named drivers, is amended by revising paragraph (3) of subsection (b) and subsections (d) and (g) as follows:

"(3) Complete one of the following types of driving courses:

(A) A ~~course in~~ defensive driving course of not less than six hours from a driver improvement clinic or commercial or noncommercial driving school approved by and under the jurisdiction of the Department of Driver Services;

(B) An emergency vehicles operations course at the Georgia Public Safety Training Center;

(C) A ~~course in~~ defensive driving course of not less than six hours from a driver improvement program which is administered by a nonprofit organization such as the American Association of Retired People, the American Automobile Association, the National Safety Council, or a comparable organization and which meets the ~~standards promulgated by~~ rules and regulations of the Department of Driver Services pursuant to subsection ~~(f)~~ (g) of this Code section; or

(D) A ~~course in~~ defensive driving course of not less than six hours which is offered by an employer to its employees and their immediate families~~, which course has been approved by~~ and which meets the rules and regulations of the Department of Driver Services."

"(d) Upon completion of one of the defensive driving courses specified in paragraph (3) of subsection (b) or preparatory courses offered to new drivers specified in paragraph (3) of subsection (c), as applicable, of this Code section by each named driver, eligibility for reductions in premiums for such policy shall continue for a period of three years, provided any named driver under such policy does not commit a traffic offense or have a claim against the policy based on any such driver's fault."

"(g) The power of supervision granted to the Department of Driver Services over driver improvement programs administered by nonprofit organizations under this Code

section shall be limited to the establishment of minimum standards and requirements relative to the content of specific courses offered by such programs and relative to investigation and resolution of any complaints directed towards the content or operation of any course by a person enrolled in such course. The Department of Driver Services may adopt rules and regulations necessary to carry out the provisions of this subsection. The Department of Driver Services shall not require a nonprofit organization to obtain a license or permit or to pay a fee in order to administer a driver improvement program in the state. The Department of Driver Services shall not require a commercial driving school licensed by such department to obtain an additional license to teach a defensive driving course, as described in subparagraph (b)(3)(A) or preparatory course offered to new drivers as described in paragraph (3) of subsection (c) of this Code section, at any location in this state."

SECTION 1-5.

Title 40 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to motor vehicles and traffic, is amended by adding a new paragraph to Code Section 40-1-1, relating to definitions for Title 40, as follows:

"(15.3) 'DUI Alcohol or Drug Use Risk Reduction Program' means a program certified by the Department of Driver Services in accordance with subsection (e) of Code Section 40-5-83."

SECTION 1-6.

Said title is further amended by revising paragraph (9) of Code Section 40-5-1, relating to definitions for Chapter 5, as follows:

"(9) ~~'DUI Alcohol or Drug Use Risk Reduction Program' means a program certified by the Department of Driver Services which consists of two components: assessment and intervention~~ Reserved."

SECTION 1-7.

Said title is further amended by revising subsection (d) of Code Section 40-5-27, relating to examination of license applicants, as follows:

"(d)(1) The department shall authorize licensed driver training schools to conduct knowledge tests, on-the-road driving skills tests, and other tests required for issuance of a driver's license as provided in this subsection. ~~The department may authorize licensed driver training schools to issue driver's licenses to successful applicants as provided in this subsection.~~ The department shall, prior to approving a licensed driver training school to conduct tests ~~or issue licenses or both~~ as provided in this subsection, make a determination that the school has been licensed for a minimum of two years and has conducted driver education courses on a full-time basis for such two-year period and that such school meets all other standards which the department may establish as a condition for approval to conduct such tests ~~or issue licenses or both~~. The department shall authorize a driver training school licensed pursuant to Chapter 13 of Title 43 and approved by the department to administer the on-the-road

driving skills testing provided for in this Code section, provided that the applicant has successfully completed a driver training course which includes a minimum of 30 class hours of instruction and six hours of private in-car training. The department may establish by rules and regulations the type of tests or demonstrations to be made by applicants for any Class P instructional permit, Class C driver's license, or Class D driver's license under this Code section.

(2) The department may authorize public and private high schools to conduct knowledge tests required for issuance of a Class P instructional permit or Class D driver's license or both."

SECTION 1-8.

Said title is further amended by revising subparagraph (c)(1)(C) of Code Section 40-5-57, relating to suspension or revocation of license of habitually negligent or dangerous driver, as follows:

"(C) A court may order a person to attend a ~~driver improvement~~ defensive driving course approved by the commissioner pursuant to Code Section 40-5-83 for any violation for which points are assessed against a driver's license under this subsection or may accept the attendance by a person at a driver improvement clinic approved by the commissioner pursuant to Code Section 40-5-83 after the issuance of a citation for such offense and prior to such person's appearance before the court, in which event the court shall reduce the fine assessed against such person by 20 percent, and no points shall be assessed by the department against such driver. The disposition and court order shall be reported to the department and shall be placed on the motor vehicle record with a zero point count. This plea may be accepted by the court once every five years as measured from date of arrest to date of arrest."

SECTION 1-9.

Said title is further amended by revising paragraph (1) of subsection (c) of Code Section 40-5-57.1, relating to suspension of licenses of persons under age 21 for certain offenses, as follows:

"(c)(1) Any driver's license suspended under subsection (a) of this Code section for commission of any offense other than violation of Code Section 40-6-391 shall not become valid and shall remain suspended until such person submits proof of completion of a defensive driving ~~program approved by the department~~ course approved by the commissioner pursuant to Code Section 40-5-83 and pays the applicable reinstatement fee. Any driver's license suspended under subsection (a) of this Code section for commission of a violation of Code Section 40-6-391 shall not become valid and shall remain suspended until such person submits proof of completion of a DUI ~~Drug or~~ Alcohol or Drug Use Risk Reduction Program and pays the applicable reinstatement fee."

SECTION 1-10.

Said title is further amended by revising subparagraph (e)(1)(C) of Code Section 40-5-58, relating to habitual violators and probationary licenses, as follows:

"(C) Such person has successfully completed, prior to the issuance of the probationary driver's license, a defensive driving course approved by the commissioner pursuant to Code Section 40-5-83 or a DUI Alcohol or Drug Use Risk Reduction Program as designated by the department;"

SECTION 1-11.

Said title is further amended by revising subsection (b) of Code Section 40-5-62, relating to periods of revocation and conditions to restoration of license, as follows:

"(b) The department shall not issue a new license nor restore a person's suspended license or nonresident's operating privilege unless and until it is satisfied after investigation of the character, habits, and driving ability of such person that it will be safe to grant the privilege of driving a motor vehicle on the public highways. Notwithstanding subsection (a) of this Code section or any other provision of this title, the department shall not issue a new license to any person whose license was revoked as a habitual violator for three violations of Code Section 40-6-391 within a five-year period unless and until such person submits proof of completion of ~~an approved~~ a DUI Alcohol or Drug Use Risk Reduction Program. The department may issue rules and regulations providing for reinstatement hearings. In the case of a revocation pursuant to Code Section 40-5-58, the department shall charge a fee of $410.00 or $400.00 if processed by mail in addition to the fee prescribed by Code Section 40-5-25 to issue a new driver's license to a person whose driver's license has been revoked."

SECTION 1-12.

Said title is further amended by revising paragraphs (1) and (2) of subsection (a) and subsection (e) of Code Section 40-5-63, relating to periods of suspension, as follows:

"(1) Upon the first conviction of any such offense, with no arrest and conviction of and no plea of nolo contendere accepted to such offense within the previous five years, as measured from the dates of previous arrests for which convictions were obtained to the date of the current arrest for which a conviction is obtained, the period of suspension shall be ~~for~~ 12 months. At the end of 120 days, the person may apply to the department for early reinstatement of ~~said~~ his or her driver's license. Such license shall be reinstated if such person submits proof of completion of a DUI Alcohol or Drug Use Risk Reduction Program and pays a restoration fee of $210.00 or $200.00 when such reinstatement is processed by mail ~~unless such conviction was a recidivist conviction in which case the restoration fee shall be $510.00 or $500.00 when such reinstatement is processed by mail~~, provided that, if such license was suspended as a result of a conviction of an offense listed in Code Section 40-5-54, such license shall be reinstated if such person submits proof of completion of either a defensive driving ~~program~~ course approved by the ~~department~~ commissioner pursuant to Code Section 40-5-83 or a DUI Alcohol or Drug Use Risk Reduction Program and pays the

prescribed restoration fee. A driver's license suspended as a result of a conviction of a violation of Code Section 40-6-391 shall not become valid and shall remain suspended until such person submits proof of completion of a DUI Alcohol or Drug Use Risk Reduction Program and pays the prescribed restoration fee. For purposes of this paragraph, an accepted plea of nolo contendere to an offense listed in Code Section 40-5-54 by a person who is under 18 years of age at the time of arrest shall constitute a conviction. For the purposes of this paragraph only, an accepted plea of nolo contendere by a person 21 years of age or older, with no conviction of and no plea of nolo contendere accepted to a charge of violating Code Section 40-6-391 within the previous five years, as measured from the dates of previous arrests for which convictions were obtained or pleas of nolo contendere accepted to the date of the current arrest for which a plea of nolo contendere is accepted, shall be considered a conviction, and the court having jurisdiction shall forward, as provided in Code Section 40-6-391.1, the record of such disposition of the case to the department and the record of such disposition shall be kept on file for the purpose of considering and counting such accepted plea of nolo contendere as a conviction under paragraphs (2) and (3) of this subsection;

(2) Upon the second conviction of any such offense within five years, as measured from the dates of previous arrests for which convictions were obtained to the date of the current arrest for which a conviction is obtained, the period of suspension shall be ~~for~~ three years. At the end of 120 days, the person may apply to the department for reinstatement of ~~such~~ his or her driver's license; except that if such license was suspended as a result of a second conviction of a violation of Code Section 40-6-391 within five years, the person shall not be eligible to apply for license reinstatement until the end of 18 months. Such license shall be reinstated if such person submits proof of completion of a DUI Alcohol or Drug Use Risk Reduction Program and pays a restoration fee of $210.00 or $200.00 when such reinstatement is processed by mail ~~unless such conviction was a recidivist conviction in which case the restoration fee shall be $510.00 or $500.00 when processed by mail~~, provided that, if such license was suspended as a result of a conviction of an offense listed in Code Section 40-5-54, such license shall be reinstated if such person submits proof of completion of either a defensive driving ~~program~~ course approved by the ~~department~~ commissioner pursuant to Code Section 40-5-83 or a DUI Alcohol or Drug Use Risk Reduction Program and pays the prescribed restoration fee. A driver's license suspended as a result of a conviction of a violation of Code Section 40-6-391 shall not become valid and shall remain suspended until such person submits proof of completion of a DUI Alcohol or Drug Use Risk Reduction Program, provides proof of installation and maintenance of an ignition interlock device for a period of one year coinciding with the issuance of an ignition interlock device limited driving permit as provided in Code Section 40-5-64 unless waived due to financial hardship, and pays the prescribed restoration fee. For purposes of this paragraph, a plea of nolo contendere and all previous accepted pleas of nolo contendere to an offense listed in Code Section 40-5-54 within such five-year period of time shall constitute a conviction. For the purposes

of this paragraph, a plea of nolo contendere to a charge of violating Code Section 40-6-391 and all prior accepted pleas of nolo contendere within five years, as measured from the dates of previous arrests for which convictions were obtained or pleas of nolo contendere were accepted to the date of the current arrest for which a plea of nolo contendere is accepted, shall be considered and counted as convictions; or"

"(e) The driver's license of any person under 21 years of age who is convicted of unlawful possession of alcoholic beverages in violation of Code Section 3-3-23 while operating a motor vehicle may be suspended for a period of not less than 120 days. At the end of 120 days, the person may apply to the department for reinstatement of ~~said~~ his or her driver's license. Such license shall be reinstated only if the person submits proof of completion of ~~an approved~~ a DUI Alcohol or Drug Use Risk Reduction Program and pays a restoration fee of $35.00 or $25.00 when processed by mail. For purposes of this subsection, a sentence under subsection (c) of Code Section 3-3-23.1 shall not be considered a conviction, and the driver's license of such person shall not be suspended, provided that such person completes a DUI Alcohol or Drug Use Risk Reduction Program within 120 days after sentencing."

SECTION 1-13.

Said title is further amended by revising paragraph (2) of Code Section 40-5-80, relating to the purpose of the article relating to restoration of licenses to persons completing defensive driving course or alcohol or drug program, as follows:

"(2) Require, in addition to the criteria established by the commissioner for approval of driver improvement clinics and certification of DUI Alcohol or Drug Use Risk Reduction Programs, as provided in subsections (a) and (e) of Code Section 40-5-83, respectively, that every driver improvement clinic and DUI Alcohol or Drug Use Risk Reduction Program shall, as a condition of approval or certification, provide a continuous surety company bond for the protection of the contractual rights of students in such form as will meet with the approval of the department~~,~~ and written by a company authorized to do business in this state. The principal sum of the bond shall be established by the commissioner; however, in no event shall ~~this~~ the amount of the bond be less than $10,000.00 per location, and a single bond at such rate may be submitted for all locations under the same ownership. If at any time said bond is not valid and in force, the license of the driver improvement clinic or ~~program~~ DUI Alcohol or Drug Use Risk Reduction Program shall be deemed suspended by operation of law until a valid surety company bond is again in force."

SECTION 1-14.

Said title is further amended by revising Code Section 40-5-81, relating to program optional and certification and approval of courses, as follows:

"40-5-81.

(a) Any ~~driver improvement program~~ defensive driving course or defensive driving program at which attendance is required by court order shall conform to the requirements of this article. When a defensive driving course, defensive driving

program, or DUI Alcohol or Drug Use Risk Reduction Program is required by a court having jurisdiction over misdemeanor traffic law offenses or by any prosecuting attorney thereof, such course or program shall be certified ~~and~~ or approved by the department under the provisions of Code Sections 40-5-82 and 40-5-83, as applicable. Certificates of completion from unlicensed defensive driving courses shall not be recognized for any purposes under this article.

(b) Whenever any person is authorized or required to attend a driver improvement clinic or DUI Alcohol or Drug Use Risk Reduction Program as a condition of any sentence imposed under this title or any ordinance enacted pursuant to this title or as a condition of the retention or restoration of the person's driving privilege, such person, in complying with such condition, shall be authorized to attend any driver improvement clinic approved under this article or DUI Alcohol or Drug Use Risk Reduction Program certified under this article; and no judicial officer, probation officer, law enforcement officer, or other officer or employee of a court or person who owns, operates, or is employed by a private company which has contracted to provide private probation services for misdemeanor cases shall specify, directly or indirectly, a particular driver improvement clinic or DUI Alcohol or Drug Use Risk Reduction Program which the person may or shall attend. This Code section shall not prohibit any judicial officer, probation officer, law enforcement officer, or other officer or employee of a court or owner, operator, or employee of a private company which has contracted to provide probation services for misdemeanor offenders from furnishing any person, upon request, the names of ~~certified~~ approved driver improvement clinics or certified DUI Alcohol or Drug Use Risk Reduction Programs.

(c) It shall be unlawful for the owner, agent, servant, or employee of any driver improvement clinic or DUI Alcohol or Drug Use Risk Reduction Program licensed by the department to directly or indirectly solicit business by personal solicitation on public property, by phone, by e-mail, or by mail. A violation of this subsection shall be a misdemeanor. Advertising in any mass media, including, but not limited to, newspapers, radio, television, magazines, Internet, or telephone directories, by a driver improvement clinic or DUI Alcohol or Drug Use Risk Reduction Program shall not be considered a violation of this subsection."

SECTION 1-15.

Said title is further amended by revising subsection (c) of Code Section 40-5-82, relating to administration of program, as follows:

"(c) The department is designated as the agency responsible for the ~~approval and~~ certification of DUI Alcohol or Drug Use Risk Reduction Programs and staff. This responsibility includes selection of the assessment instrument, development of the intervention curricula, training of program staff, and monitoring of all DUI Alcohol or Drug Use Risk Reduction Programs under this article."

SECTION 1-16.

Said title is further amended by revising paragraph (1) of subsection (a) and subsection (e) of Code Section 40-5-83, relating to establishment and approval of clinics and programs, as follows:

"(a)(1) The commissioner shall establish criteria for the approval of driver improvement clinics. To be approved, a clinic shall provide and operate a defensive driving course. Clinics shall be composed of uniform education and training programs consisting of six hours of instruction designed for the rehabilitation of problem drivers. The commissioner shall establish standards and requirements concerning the contents of defensive driving courses, qualifications of instructors, attendance requirements for students, and examinations. Approved clinics shall charge a fee of ~~$75.00~~ $95.00 for a defensive driving course, except that such clinics may charge different fees of their own choosing if the person is not enrolling in such course pursuant to court order or department requirement. No clinic shall be approved unless such clinic agrees in writing to allow the examination and audit of the books, records, and financial statements of such clinic. Clinics may be operated by any individual, partnership, or corporation. Nothing in this paragraph shall be construed to affect in any way driving programs established for purposes of insurance premium reductions under the provisions of Code Section 33-9-42."

"(e)(1) The department is designated as the agency responsible for establishing criteria for the ~~approval~~ certification of DUI Alcohol or Drug Use Risk Reduction Programs. An applicant shall meet the certification criteria promulgated by the department through its standards and shall provide ~~the following services: (1) the~~ assessment component services and ~~(2) the~~ intervention component services. A certified DUI Alcohol or Drug Use Risk Reduction Program shall require that a risk assessment component be conducted prior to administering the intervention component of such program. A certified DUI Alcohol or Drug Use Risk Reduction Program may include a clinical evaluation component after an individual completes risk assessment and intervention services. Only clinical evaluators licensed by the Department of Behavioral Health and Developmental Disabilities shall be qualified to conduct clinical evaluations. The department is designated as the agency responsible for establishing rules and regulations concerning the contents and duration of the components of DUI Alcohol or Drug Use Risk Reduction Programs, qualifications of instructors, attendance requirements for students, examinations, and program evaluations. Qualified instructors shall be certified for periods of four years each, which may be renewed.

(2) Certified ~~Approved~~ DUI Alcohol or Drug Use Risk Reduction Programs shall charge a fee of ~~$82.00~~ $100.00 for the assessment component and ~~$190.00~~ $235.00 for the intervention component. An additional fee for required student program materials shall be established by the department in such an amount as is reasonable and necessary to cover the cost of such materials.

(3) No DUI Alcohol or Drug Use Risk Reduction Program shall be ~~approved~~ certified unless such ~~clinic~~ program agrees in writing to submit reports as required in the rules

and regulations of the department and to allow the examination and audit of the books, records, and financial statements of such DUI Alcohol or Drug Use Risk Reduction Program by the department or its authorized agent.

(4) DUI Alcohol or Drug Use Risk Reduction Programs may be operated by any public, private, or governmental entity; provided, however, that, except as otherwise provided in this subsection, in any political subdivision in which a DUI Alcohol or Drug Use Risk Reduction Program is operated by a private entity, whether for profit or nonprofit, neither the local county board of health nor any other governmental entity shall fund any new programs in that area. Programs ~~currently~~ in existence prior to July 1, 1990, which are operated by local county boards of health or any other governmental entities shall be authorized to continue operation. New programs may be started in areas where no private DUI Alcohol or Drug Use Risk Reduction Programs have been made available ~~to said community~~ in the political subdivision.

(5) The Department of Corrections ~~is~~ shall be authorized to operate DUI Alcohol or Drug Use Risk Reduction Programs in its facilities where offenders are not authorized to participate in such programs in the community, provided that such programs meet the certification criteria promulgated by the Department of Driver Services. All such programs operated by the Department of Corrections shall be exempt from all fee provisions established in this subsection specifically including the rebate of any fee for the costs of administration.

(6) No DUI Alcohol or Drug Use Risk Reduction Program shall be ~~approved~~ certified unless such ~~clinic~~ program agrees in writing to pay to the state, for the costs of administration, a fee of ~~$22.00~~ $30.00 for each offender assessed ~~or each offender attending for points reduction~~, provided that nothing in this Code section shall be construed ~~so as~~ to allow the department to retain any funds required by the Constitution to be paid into the state treasury; and provided, further, that the department shall comply with all provisions of Part 1 of Article 4 of Chapter 12 of Title 45, the 'Budget Act,' except Code Section 45-12-92, prior to expending any such miscellaneous funds."

SECTION 1-17.

Said title is further amended by revising subsections (b) and (e) of Code Section 40-5-84, relating to reinstatement of license suspended for certain offenses or for points, as follows:

"(b) The license of any person whose license is suspended for the second time as a result of the conviction of an offense listed in Code Section 40-5-54 shall, at the expiration of 120 days following the date the license is suspended, be reinstated by the department upon receipt by the department of a certificate of completion of ~~an advanced~~ a defensive driving course approved by the department and the payment of a restoration fee of $310.00 or $300.00 when such reinstatement is processed by mail."

"(e) The license of any person whose license is suspended for the third or subsequent time within a five-year period as a result of the assessment of points pursuant to Code Section 40-5-57 shall be reinstated by the department upon receipt by the department of

a certificate of completion of ~~an advanced~~ a defensive driving course approved by the department and the payment of a restoration fee of $410.00 or $400.00 when such reinstatement is processed by mail."

SECTION 1-18.

Said title is further amended by revising Code Section 40-5-86, relating to reduction of point count upon completion of course, as follows:

"40-5-86.

Upon the accumulation of points pursuant to Code Section 40-5-57, the total number of points accumulated by any driver shall be reduced by seven points, but to not less than zero points, upon the satisfactory completion by such driver of ~~an approved~~ a defensive driving course approved by the department and the submission of a certificate by such driver to the department. The provisions of this Code section shall be available one time only to each driver in any five-year period."

SECTION 1-19.

Said title is further amended by revising subparagraphs (c)(1)(D), (c)(2)(D), (c)(3)(D), and (c)(4)(D) of Code Section 40-6-391, relating to driving under the influence of alcohol, drugs, or other intoxicating substances, as follows:

"(D) Completion of a DUI Alcohol or Drug Use Risk Reduction Program within 120 days following his or her conviction; provided, however, that if the defendant is incarcerated and such program cannot be completed within 120 days, it shall be completed within 90 days of his or her release from custody. The sponsor of any such program shall provide written notice of the ~~department's approval~~ Department of Driver Services' certification of the program to the person upon enrollment in the program;"

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"(D) Completion of a DUI Alcohol or Drug Use Risk Reduction Program within 120 days following his or her conviction; provided, however, that if the defendant is incarcerated and such program cannot be completed within 120 days, it shall be

completed within 90 days of his or her release from custody. The sponsor of any such program shall provide written notice of the ~~department's approval~~ Department of Driver Services' certification of the program to the person upon enrollment in the program;"

SECTION 1-20.

Code Section 42-8-112 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to timing for issuance of certain limited driving permits, is amended by revising subparagraphs (a)(2)(A) and (b)(2)(A) as follows:

"(A) That the person to whom such permit is to be issued has completed a DUI Alcohol or Drug Use Risk Reduction Program certified by the Department of Driver Services;"

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SECTION 1-21.

Article 1 of Chapter 7 of Title 52 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to general provisions for registration, operation, and sale of watercraft, is amended by revising subparagraphs (m)(1)(D), (m)(2)(D), (m)(3)(D), and (m)(4)(D) of Code Section 52-7-12, relating to operation of watercraft while under the influence of alcohol, toxic vapors, or drugs, as follows:

"(D) Completion of a DUI Alcohol or Drug Use Risk Reduction Program as defined in Code Section ~~40-5-1~~ 40-1-1. The sponsor of any such program shall provide written notice of the Department of ~~Drivers Service's approval~~ Driver Services' certification of the program to the person upon enrollment in the program;"

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SECTION 1-22.

Said article is further amended by revising paragraphs (1) through (3) of subsection (a) of Code Section 52-7-12.6, relating to terms of suspension, as follows:

"(1) Upon the first suspension pursuant to subsection (d) of Code Section 52-7-12.5 within the previous five years, as measured from the dates of previous arrests for which a suspension was obtained to the date of the current arrest for which a suspension is obtained, the period of suspension shall be ~~for~~ one year. Not sooner than 120 days following the effective date of suspension, the person may apply to the department for reinstatement of his or her operator's privilege. Such privilege shall be reinstated if such person submits proof of completion of a DUI Alcohol or Drug Use Risk Reduction Program ~~approved~~ certified by the Department of Driver Services and pays a restoration fee of $200.00~~, unless such conviction was a recidivist conviction, in which case the restoration fee shall be $500.00~~. An operator's privilege suspended pursuant to Code Section 52-7-12.5 shall remain suspended until such person submits proof of completion of a DUI Alcohol or Drug Use Risk Reduction Program ~~approved~~ certified by the Department of Driver Services and pays a restoration fee of $200.00, unless such conviction was a recidivist conviction, in which case the restoration fee shall be $500.00;

(2) Upon the second suspension pursuant to subsection (d) of Code Section 52-7-12.5 within five years, as measured from the dates of previous arrests for which suspensions were obtained to the date of the current arrest for which a suspension is obtained, the period of suspension shall be ~~for~~ three years. Not sooner than 18 months following the effective date of suspension, the person may apply to the department for reinstatement of ~~the person's~~ his or her operator's privilege. Such privilege shall be reinstated if such person submits proof of completion of a DUI Alcohol or Drug Use Risk Reduction Program ~~approved~~ certified by the Department of Driver Services and pays a restoration fee of $200.00~~, unless such conviction was a recidivist conviction, in which case the restoration fee shall be $500.00~~. An operator's privilege suspended pursuant to Code Section 52-7-12.5 shall remain suspended until such person submits proof of completion of a DUI Alcohol or Drug Use Risk Reduction Program ~~approved~~ certified by the Department of Driver Services and pays a restoration fee of $200.00~~, unless such conviction was a recidivist conviction, in which case the restoration fee shall be $500.00~~;

(3) Upon the third or subsequent suspension pursuant to subsection (d) of Code Section 52-7-12.5 within five years, as measured from the dates of previous arrests for which suspensions were obtained to the date of the current arrest for which a suspension is obtained, the period of suspension shall be ~~for~~ not less than five years and until such person submits proof of completion of a DUI Alcohol or Drug Use Risk Reduction Program ~~approved~~ certified by the Department of Driver Services and pays a restoration fee of $200.00~~, unless such conviction was a recidivist conviction, in which case the restoration fee shall be $500.00~~; and"

PART II
UNLICENSED DRIVERS
SECTION 2-1.

Article 2 of Chapter 5 of Title 40 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to issuance, expiration, and renewal of licenses, is amended by revising subsection (a) of Code Section 40-5-20, relating to requiring a license, as follows:

"(a) No person, except those expressly exempted in this chapter, shall drive any motor vehicle upon a highway in this state unless such person has a valid driver's license under this chapter for the type or class of vehicle being driven. Any person who is a resident of this state for 30 days shall obtain a Georgia driver's license before operating a motor vehicle in this state. ~~Any violation of this subsection shall be punished as provided in Code Section 40-5-121, except the violation of driving with an expired license, or a violation of Code Section 40-5-29 or if such person produces in court a valid driver's license issued by this state to such person, he or she shall not be guilty of such offenses.~~ Any court having jurisdiction over traffic offenses in this state shall report to the department the name and other identifying information of any individual convicted of driving without a license. This Code section shall not apply to a person driving with a suspended license or license that has been revoked. Any person convicted of violating this Code section shall be punished as provided in subsection (a) of Code Section 40-5-121; provided, however, that if:

(1) Such person is driving with a driver's license issued by this state that has been expired for less than 31 days at the time of the offense and he or she produces in court a driver's license that would have been valid at the time of the offense, he or she shall not be guilty of such offense; and

(2) Such person is driving without a valid driver's license or receipt issued by the department reflecting issuance, renewal, replacement, or reinstatement in his or her possession but he or she has a valid driver's license, Code Section 40-5-29 shall apply to such offense."

SECTION 2-2.

Said article is further amended by revising Code Section 40-5-29, relating to carrying and exhibition of a driver's license, as follows:

"40-5-29.

(a) Every licensee shall have his or her driver's license in his or her immediate possession at all times when operating a motor vehicle. Any person who has a receipt issued by the department reflecting issuance, renewal, replacement, or reinstatement of his or her driver's license in his or her immediate possession shall be considered to have such license in his or her immediate possession if such is confirmed to be valid by the department or through the Georgia Crime Information Center. The department may establish by rule and regulation the term of such receipt. Notwithstanding the foregoing, no receipt issued by the department shall be accepted as proof of such

person's identity for any other purpose, including but not limited to proof of voter identification or proof of age for purposes of purchasing alcoholic beverages.

(b) Every licensee shall display his or her license upon the demand of a law enforcement officer. A refusal to comply with such demand not only shall constitute a violation of this subsection but shall also give rise to a presumption of a violation of subsection (a) of this Code section and of Code Section 40-5-20.

(c) A person convicted of a violation of subsection (a) of this Code section shall be fined no more than $10.00 if he or she produces in court a license theretofore issued to him or her and valid at the time of his or her arrest."

PART III
SPECIAL LICENSE PLATE DECALS FOR PERSON WITH DISABILITIES
SECTION 3-1.

Code Section 40-2-74.1 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to special vehicle decals for persons with disabilities, is amended by adding a new subsection to read as follows:

"(i) For purposes of this Code section the department shall accept, in lieu of an affidavit, a signed and dated statement from the doctor which includes the same information as required in an affidavit written upon security paper as defined in paragraph (38.5) of Code Section 26-4-5."

PART IV
COMPLETION OF DUI ALCOHOL OR DRUG USE
REDUCTION PROGRAM
SECTION 4-1.

Code Section 40-6-391 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to driving under the influence of alcohol, drugs, or other intoxicating substances, is amended by revising subparagraphs (c)(1)(D), (c)(2)(D), (c)(3)(D), and (c)(4)(D), as follows:

"(D) Completion of a DUI Alcohol or Drug Use Risk Reduction Program within 120 days following his or her conviction; provided, however, that if the defendant is incarcerated and such program cannot be completed within 120 days, it shall be completed within 90 days of his or her release from custody. The sponsor of any such program shall provide written notice of the ~~department's approval~~ Department of Driver Services' certification of the program to the person upon enrollment in the program;"

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of Driver Services' certification of the program to the person upon enrollment in the program;"

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PART V
FEES FOR DRIVING PROGRAMS;
CONTENTS; FINGERPRINTING.
SECTION 5-1.

Article 4 of Chapter 5 of Title 40 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to restoration of licenses to persons completing defensive driving course or alcohol or drug program, is amended by revising subsections (a) and (e) of Code Section 40-5-83, relating to establishment and approval of clinics and programs, as follows:

"(a)(1) The commissioner shall establish criteria for the approval of driver improvement clinics. To be approved, a clinic shall provide and operate a defensive driving course. Clinics shall be composed of uniform education and training programs consisting of six hours of instruction designed for the rehabilitation of problem drivers. The commissioner shall establish standards and requirements concerning the contents of defensive driving courses, qualifications of instructors, attendance requirements for students, and examinations. Approved clinics shall charge a fee of ~~$75.00~~ $95.00 for a defensive driving course, except that such clinics may charge different fees of their own choosing if the person is not enrolling in such course pursuant to court order or department requirement. No clinic shall be approved unless such clinic agrees in writing to allow the examination and audit of the books, records, and financial statements of such clinic. Clinics may be operated by any individual, partnership, or corporation. Nothing in this paragraph shall be construed to affect in any way driving programs established for purposes of insurance premium reductions under the provisions of Code Section 33-9-42.

(1.1)(A) No driver improvement clinic shall be permitted to use, adopt, or conduct any business under any name that is like or deceptively similar to any name used by

any other driver improvement clinic, Georgia company, or Georgia corporation registered with the Secretary of State. This subparagraph shall not prohibit the franchising or licensing of any part or all of the name of a driver improvement clinic by the owner or the rights thereof to another licensed driver improvement clinic.

(B) This paragraph shall not prohibit the franchising or licensing of any part or all of the name of a clinic by the owner of the rights therein to another licensed driver improvement clinic.

(2) The commissioner may issue a special license to the instructor of any ~~commercial~~ licensed driver training school authorizing such instructor to teach a defensive driving course~~, advanced defensive driving course, or professional defensive driving course of~~ at a driver improvement clinic ~~provided~~ approved pursuant to this Code section if such instructor is qualified to teach a teen-age driver education course which consists of a minimum of 30 hours of classroom and six hours of behind-the-wheel training and such instructor certifies to the commissioner that he or she has provided at least ~~250~~ 300 hours of behind-the-wheel training in a teen-age driver education course."

"(e)(1) The department is designated as the agency responsible for establishing criteria for the ~~approval~~ certification of DUI Alcohol or Drug Use Risk Reduction Programs. An applicant shall meet the certification criteria promulgated by the department through its standards and shall provide ~~the following services: (1) the~~ assessment component services and ~~(2) the~~ intervention component services. A certified DUI Alcohol or Drug Use Risk Reduction Program shall require that a risk assessment component be conducted prior to administering the intervention component of such program. A certified DUI Alcohol or Drug Use Risk Reduction Program may include a clinical evaluation component after an individual completes risk assessment and intervention services. Only clinical evaluators licensed by the Department of Behavioral Health and Developmental Disabilities shall be qualified to conduct clinical evaluations. The department is designated as the agency responsible for establishing rules and regulations concerning the contents and duration of the components of DUI Alcohol or Drug Use Risk Reduction Programs, qualifications of instructors, attendance requirements for students, examinations, and program evaluations. Qualified instructors shall be certified for periods of four years each, which may be renewed.

(2) Certified ~~Approved~~ DUI Alcohol or Drug Use Risk Reduction Programs shall charge a fee of ~~$82.00~~ $100.00 for the assessment component and ~~$190.00~~ $235.00 for the intervention component. An additional fee for required student program materials shall be established by the department in such an amount as is reasonable and necessary to cover the cost of such materials.

(3) No DUI Alcohol or Drug Use Risk Reduction Program shall be ~~approved~~ certified unless such ~~clinic~~ program agrees in writing to submit reports as required in the rules and regulations of the department and to allow the examination and audit of the books, records, and financial statements of such DUI Alcohol or Drug Use Risk Reduction Program by the department or its authorized agent.

(4) DUI Alcohol or Drug Use Risk Reduction Programs may be operated by any public, private, or governmental entity; provided, however, that, except as otherwise provided in this subsection, in any political subdivision in which a DUI Alcohol or Drug Use Risk Reduction Program is operated by a private entity, whether for profit or nonprofit, neither the local county board of health nor any other governmental entity shall fund any new programs in that area. Programs ~~currently~~ in existence prior to July 1, 1990, which are operated by local county boards of health or any other governmental entities shall be authorized to continue operation. New programs may be started in areas where no private DUI Alcohol or Drug Use Risk Reduction Programs have been made available ~~to said community~~ in the political subdivision.

(5) The Department of Corrections ~~is~~ shall be authorized to operate DUI Alcohol or Drug Use Risk Reduction Programs in its facilities where offenders are not authorized to participate in such programs in the community, provided that such programs meet the certification criteria promulgated by the Department of Driver Services. All such programs operated by the Department of Corrections shall be exempt from all fee provisions established in this subsection specifically including the rebate of any fee for the costs of administration.

(6) No DUI Alcohol or Drug Use Risk Reduction Program shall be ~~approved~~ certified unless such ~~clinic~~ program agrees in writing to pay to the state, for the costs of administration, a fee of ~~$22.00~~ $30.00 for each offender assessed ~~or each offender attending for points reduction~~, provided that nothing in this Code section shall be construed ~~so as~~ to allow the department to retain any funds required by the Constitution to be paid into the state treasury; and provided, further, that the department shall comply with all provisions of Part 1 of Article 4 of Chapter 12 of Title 45, the 'Budget Act,' except Code Section 45-12-92, prior to expending any such miscellaneous funds."

PART VI
EFFECTIVE DATE
SECTION 6-1.

This Act shall become effective on January 1, 2015.

PART VII
REPEALER
SECTION 7-1.

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

The following amendment was read and adopted:

Representatives Rice of the 95th and Powell of the 32nd offer the following amendment:

Amend the House Committee on Motor Vehicles substitute to SB 298 (LC 39 0756S) by deleting lines 25 and 26 and inserting in lieu thereof the following:

charged; to amend Chapter 5 of Title 40 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to drivers' licenses, so as to provide for Class E and Class F drivers' licenses free of charge to qualified volunteer firefighters; to revise the contents for certain documents issued by the department; to provide for related matters; to provide for effective dates; to repeal conflicting laws; and for other purposes.

By deleting lines 702 through 708 and inserting in lieu thereof the following:

WAIVER OF FEES FOR LICENSES

SECTION 6-1.

Chapter 5 of Title 40 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to drivers' licenses, is amended by revising Code Section 40-5-28, relating to issuance of licenses, content, signature, prohibiting biological identifiers, and tag agents, as follows:

"40-5-28.

(a) ~~The~~ Except as provided in subsection (c) of this Code section, the department shall, upon payment of the required fee, issue to every applicant qualifying therefor a driver's license indicating the type or general class of vehicles the licensee may drive, which license shall be upon a form prescribed by the department and which shall bear thereon a distinguishing number assigned to the licensee, a color photograph of the licensee, the licensee's full legal name, either a facsimile of the signature of the licensee or a space upon which the licensee shall write his or her usual signature with a pen and ink immediately upon receipt of the license, and such other information or identification as is required by the department. No license shall be valid until it has been so signed by the licensee. The department shall not require applicants to submit or otherwise obtain from applicants any fingerprints or any other biological characteristic or information which uniquely identifies an individual, including without limitation deoxyribonucleic acid (DNA) and retinal scan identification characteristics but not including a photograph, by any means upon application.

(b) The commissioner may determine the location and manner of issuance of drivers' licenses. Without limiting the generality of the foregoing, it is specifically provided that the commissioner may designate county tag agents, if they so agree, as agents of the department for this purpose and may authorize the issuance of drivers' licenses by county tag agents. No county tag agent shall be required to issue or renew drivers' licenses unless such county tag agent agrees in writing to perform such functions. No county tag agent shall be required to issue or renew drivers' licenses for residents of any county other than the residents of the county for which he or she serves as tax commissioner.

(c) The department shall make available to qualified applicants who are also volunteer firefighters Class E and Class F drivers' licenses without charge. In order to receive the Class E or Class F endorsement without payment of a fee, the applicant shall provide:

(1) A copy of his or her firefighter certification indicating that he or she is currently a certified firefighter in good standing; and

(2) A letter signed by the chief executive officer of the public entity he or she serves which letter appears on such political entity's official agency letterhead and provides that he or she is a volunteer firefighter for such public entity.

The provisions of this subsection shall apply to both original and renewal applicants for Class E and Class F licenses, as these classes are identified in Code Section 40-5-23."

PART VII
DOCUMENT CONTENTS
SECTION 7-1.

Chapter 5 of Title 40 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to drivers' licences, is amended by revising subsection (a) of Code Section 40-5-100, relating to the issuance of personal identification cards by the Department of Driver Services, as follows:

"(a) The department shall issue personal identification cards to all residents as defined in Code Section 40-5-1 who make application to the department in accordance with rules and regulations prescribed by the commissioner. Cards issued to applicants under 21 years of age shall contain the distinctive characteristics of drivers' licenses issued pursuant to Code Section 40-5-26. The identification card shall be similar in form but distinguishable in color from motor vehicle drivers' licenses and may contain a recent color photograph of the applicant and include the following information:

(1) Full legal name;
(2) Address of residence;
(3) Birth date;
(4) Date identification card was issued;
(5) Sex;
(6) Height;
(7) Weight;
(8) Eye color;
(9) ~~Location where the identification card was issued;~~
~~(10)~~ Signature of person identified or facsimile thereof; and
~~(11)~~(10) Such other information or identification as required by the department; provided, however, that the department shall not require an applicant to submit or otherwise obtain from an applicant any fingerprints or any other biological characteristic or information which uniquely identifies an individual, including without limitation deoxyribonucleic acid (DNA) and retinal scan identification characteristics but not including a photograph, by any means upon application."

SECTION 7-2.

Said chapter is further amended by revising subsection (a) of Code Section 40-5-150, relating to contents of commercial drivers' licenses, as follows:

"(a) The commercial driver's license shall be marked 'Commercial Driver's License' or 'CDL' and shall be, to the maximum extent practicable, tamperproof, and shall include, but not be limited to, the following information:

(1) The full legal name and residential address of the person;

(2) The person's color photograph;

(3) A physical description of the person, including sex, height, weight, and eye color;

(4) Full date of birth;

(5) The license number or identifier assigned by the department;

(6) The person's signature;

(7) The class or type of commercial motor vehicle or vehicles which the person is authorized to drive, together with any endorsements or restrictions;

(8) The name of this state; and

(9) The dates between which the license is valid~~; and~~

~~(10) The license fee and fees for any endorsements~~."

PART VIII
EFFECTIVE DATE
SECTION 8-1.

This Act shall become effective on July 1, 2014, except for Parts VI and VII of this Act, which shall become effective on January 1, 2015.

PART IX
REPEALER
SECTION 9-1.

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

The Committee substitute, as amended, was adopted.

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

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

Y Abrams	Y Coomer	N Gregory	Y McCall	Y Sims, C
Y Alexander	Y Cooper	E Hamilton	Y McClain	E Smith, E
Y Allison	Y Dawkins-Haigler	Y Harbin	Y Meadows	Y Smith, L
Y Anderson	Y Deffenbaugh	Y Harden	E Mitchell	Y Smith, M
Y Atwood	Y Dempsey	Y Harrell	N Moore	Y Smith, R
Y Ballinger	Y Dickerson	Y Hatchett	Y Morgan	Y Smyre
Y Barr	Y Dickey	Y Hawkins	Y Morris	Y Spencer
Y Battles	Y Dickson	Y Henson	Y Mosby	Y Stephens, M
Y Beasley-Teague	Y Dollar	Y Hightower	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 Stover
E Benton	Y Dukes	Y Holt	Y Pak	Y Strickland
Y Beverly	Y Dunahoo	Y Houston	Y Parrish	Y Talton
Y Black	Y Duncan	Y Howard	Y Parsons	Y Tankersley
Y Braddock	Y Dutton	Y Hugley	Peake	Y Tanner
Y Broadrick	Y Efstration	Y Jackson	Y Pezold	Y Tarvin
Y Brockway	Y Ehrhart	Y Jacobs	Y Powell, A	Y Taylor, D
Y Brooks	Y England	Y Jasperse	Y Powell, J	Y Taylor, T
Y Bruce	Y Epps, C	Y Jones, J	Y Prince	Y Teasley
Y Bryant	Y Epps, J	Y Jones, L	Y Pruett	Y Thomas, A.M.
Y Buckner	Y Evans	Y Jones, S	Y Quick	E Turner
Y Burns	Y Fleming	Y Jordan	Y Ramsey	E Waites
Y Caldwell, J	Y Floyd	Y Kaiser	Y Randall	Y Watson, B
Y Caldwell, M	Y Fludd	Y Kelley	Y Rice	Y Watson, S
Y Carson	Y Frazier	Y Kendrick	Y Riley	E Welch
Y Carter	Y Frye	Kidd	Y Roberts	Y Weldon
Y Casas	Y Fullerton	Y Kirby	Y Rogers, C	Y Wilkerson
Y Chandler	Y Gardner	Y Knight	Y Rogers, T	Y Wilkinson
Y Channell	Y Gasaway	Y Lindsey	Y Rutledge	Y Willard
Y Chapman	Y Geisinger	Y Lumsden	Y Rynders	Williams, A
Y Cheokas	Y Glanton	Y Mabra	Y Scott	Y Williams, C
Y Clark, J	Y Golick	Y Marin	Y Setzler	Y Williams, E
Y Clark, V	Y Gordon	Y Martin	Y Sharper	Williamson
Y Coleman	Y Gravley	Y Maxwell	Y Shaw	Y Yates
Y Cooke	Y Greene	Y Mayo	Y Sims, B	Ralston, Speaker

On the passage of the Bill, by substitute, as amended, the ayes were 166, nays 2.

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

SB 326. By Senators Jeffares of the 17th, Stone of the 23rd, Staton of the 18th, Carter of the 1st, Millar of the 40th and others:

A BILL to be entitled an Act to amend Code Section 20-3-202 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to the creation, membership, officers, compensation, expenses, organization, duration, and quorum of the Private Colleges and Universities Authority, so as to authorize the authority to meet by teleconference and other methods permitted by law; to provide for related matters; to provide an effective date; to repeal conflicting laws; and for other purposes.

The following substitute, offered by Representative Sims of the 169th, was read:

A BILL TO BE ENTITLED
AN ACT

To amend Title 20 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to education, so as to authorize the Private Colleges and Universities Authority to meet by teleconference and other methods permitted by law; to revise a definition regarding campus police officers; to provide for related matters; to provide an effective date; to repeal conflicting laws; and for other purposes.

BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF GEORGIA:

SECTION 1.

Title 20 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to education, is amended by revising Code Section 20-3-202, relating to the creation, membership, officers, compensation, expenses, organization, duration, and quorum of the Private Colleges and Universities Authority, as follows:

"20-3-202.

There is created a public body corporate and politic to be known as the Private Colleges and Universities Authority, and by that name, style, and title such body may contract and be contracted with, bring and defend actions and implead and be impleaded, and complain and defend in all courts of law and equity. Such authority, however, shall not be a state institution nor a department or agency of the state but shall be an instrumentality of purely public charity performing an essential governmental function, being a distinct corporate entity. Article VII, Section IV, Paragraph VII of the Constitution of Georgia and Article 2 of Chapter 17 of Title 50, the 'Georgia State Financing and Investment Commission Act,' shall not apply to the authority created in this Code section. The authority shall consist of five members appointed by the Governor. Two of the members appointed in 1978 shall be appointed for a term expiring January 1, 1980; two shall be appointed for a term expiring January 1, 1982; and one shall be appointed for a term expiring January 1, 1984. Thereafter, each member shall be appointed for a six-year term. The Governor shall fill the unexpired term of any member so appointed who shall cease to serve. All members appointed shall serve until their successors are appointed and qualified and any member may be reappointed. Immediately after each such appointment, such member of the authority shall enter upon his or her duties. The authority shall elect one of its members as ~~chairman~~ chairperson and another as ~~vice-chairman~~ vice chairperson and shall appoint a secretary, who need not be a member of the authority. The members of the authority may be compensated in an amount not to exceed the per diem amount paid to the members of the General Assembly under applicable Georgia law as in effect from time to time, plus actual expenses incurred, from the funds available to pay the administrative costs and expenses incurred by the authority, for each day's service spent in the performance of the duties of the authority. The authority may make rules and regulations for its own government, including, but not limited to, the payment of compensation to its members. The authority shall have perpetual existence. At all meetings of the authority the presence in person, by teleconference, or other methods permitted by law of a majority of the members in office shall be necessary for the

transaction of business, and the affirmative vote of a majority of the members then in office shall be necessary for any action of the authority. A member who attends a meeting by teleconference or by other means other than in person shall not be entitled to receive a per diem payment for attending such meeting."

SECTION 2.

Said title is further amended by revising paragraph (1) of Code Section 20-8-1, relating to definitions relative to campus police officers, as follows:

"(1) 'Campus' means the grounds and buildings owned or occupied by a college or university or the grounds and buildings of a school or training facility operated by or under the authority of the State Board of Education. The term 'campus' shall also include any public or private property within 500 yards of the grounds and buildings owned or occupied by a college or university or the grounds and buildings of a school or training facility operated by or under the authority of the State Board of Education ~~property of an educational facility and one-quarter mile of any public street or public sidewalk connecting different buildings of the same educational facility when the property or buildings of the educational facility are located within any county in this state having a population of 400,000 or more according to the United States decennial census of 1970 or any future such census~~."

SECTION 3.

This Act shall become effective upon its approval by the Governor or upon its becoming law without such approval.

SECTION 4.

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

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

Y Abrams	N Coomer	N Gregory	N McCall	Y Sims, C
Y Alexander	N Cooper	E Hamilton	Y McClain	E Smith, E
N Allison	Dawkins-Haigler	N Harbin	N Meadows	N Smith, L
Y Anderson	N Deffenbaugh	Y Harden	E Mitchell	Smith, M
N Atwood	N Dempsey	N Harrell	N Moore	N Smith, R
N Ballinger	Y Dickerson	N Hatchett	Morgan	N Smyre
N Barr	N Dickey	N Hawkins	N Morris	N Spencer
N Battles	N Dickson	Y Henson	N Mosby	N Stephens, M
Y Beasley-Teague	N Dollar	N Hightower	N Nimmer	N Stephens, R
N Bell	N Douglas	N Hitchens	N Nix	Stephenson
N Bennett	Y Drenner	Y Holcomb	N Oliver	Y Stovall
N Bentley	N Dudgeon	N Holmes	Y O'Neal	N Stover
E Benton	Y Dukes	N Holt	N Pak	N Strickland
N Beverly	N Dunahoo	Y Houston	N Parrish	Y Talton
N Black	N Duncan	Y Howard	N Parsons	N Tankersley
N Braddock	N Dutton	Y Hugley	N Peake	N Tanner
Y Broadrick	N Efstration	Y Jackson	N Pezold	N Tarvin
N Brockway	N Ehrhart	N Jacobs	N Powell, A	N Taylor, D

N Brooks	N England	N Jasperse	Y Powell, J	N Taylor, T
Y Bruce	Y Epps, C	Jones, J	Y Prince	N Teasley
Bryant	N Epps, J	N Jones, L	N Pruett	Thomas, A.M.
Y Buckner	Y Evans	N Jones, S	N Quick	E Turner
Y Burns	Y Fleming	N Jordan	N Ramsey	E Waites
N Caldwell, J	Y Floyd	Y Kaiser	N Randall	N Watson, B
N Caldwell, M	Y Fludd	N Kelley	Y Rice	N Watson, S
Carson	Y Frazier	Y Kendrick	N Riley	E Welch
Y Carter	Y Frye	Kidd	N Roberts	N Weldon
N Casas	Y Fullerton	N Kirby	Y Rogers, C	Y Wilkerson
N Chandler	Y Gardner	N Knight	N Rogers, T	Y Wilkinson
Y Channell	N Gasaway	N Lindsey	Y Rutledge	N Willard
N Chapman	N Geisinger	N Lumsden	N Rynders	Y Williams, A
N Cheokas	N Glanton	Y Mabra	Y Scott	Y Williams, C
N Clark, J	N Golick	N Marin	N Setzler	Y Williams, E
N Clark, V	N Gordon	N Martin	Y Sharper	N Williamson
N Coleman	N Gravley	N Maxwell	Y Shaw	Y Yates
N Cooke	N Greene	N Mayo	N Sims, B	Ralston, Speaker

On the adoption of the Floor substitute, the ayes were 51, nays 112.

The Floor substitute was lost.

An amendment by Representative Rutledge of the 109th was withdrawn.

The following amendment was read and adopted:

Representatives Rutledge of the 109th and Sims of the 169th offer the following amendment:

*Amend SB 326 (LC 28 6968) by inserting after "*authority.*" on line 42 "*A member who attends a meeting by teleconference or by other means other than in person shall not be entitled to receive a per diem payment for attending such meeting.*"*

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

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

Y Abrams	Y Coomer	Y Gregory	Y McCall	Y Sims, C
Y Alexander	Y Cooper	E Hamilton	Y McClain	E Smith, E
Y Allison	Y Dawkins-Haigler	Y Harbin	Y Meadows	Smith, L
Y Anderson	Y Deffenbaugh	Y Harden	E Mitchell	Y Smith, M
Y Atwood	Y Dempsey	Y Harrell	Y Moore	Y Smith, R
Y Ballinger	Y Dickerson	Y Hatchett	Y Morgan	Y Smyre
Y Barr	Y Dickey	Y Hawkins	Y Morris	Y Spencer
Y Battles	Y Dickson	Y Henson	Y Mosby	Y Stephens, M
N Beasley-Teague	Y Dollar	Y Hightower	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
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Y Broadrick	Y Efstration	Y Jackson	Y Pezold	Y Tarvin
Y Brockway	Y Ehrhart	Y Jacobs	Y Powell, A	Y Taylor, D
Y Brooks	Y England	Y Jasperse	Y Powell, J	Taylor, T
Y Bruce	Y Epps, C	Y Jones, J	Y Prince	Y Teasley
Y Bryant	Y Epps, J	Y Jones, L	Y Pruett	Y Thomas, A.M.
Y Buckner	Y Evans	Y Jones, S	Y Quick	Y Turner
Y Burns	Y Fleming	Y Jordan	Y Ramsey	E Waites
Y Caldwell, J	Y Floyd	Y Kaiser	Y Randall	Y Watson, B
Y Caldwell, M	Y Fludd	Y Kelley	Y Rice	Y Watson, S
Y Carson	Y Frazier	N Kendrick	Y Riley	E Welch
Y Carter	Y Frye	Kidd	Y Roberts	Y Weldon
Y Casas	Y Fullerton	Y Kirby	Y Rogers, C	Y Wilkerson
Y Chandler	Y Gardner	Y Knight	Y Rogers, T	Y Wilkinson
Y Channell	Y Gasaway	Y Lindsey	Y Rutledge	Y Willard
Y Chapman	Y Geisinger	Y Lumsden	Y Rynders	Y Williams, A
Y Cheokas	Y Glanton	Y Mabra	Y Scott	Y Williams, C
Y Clark, J	Y Golick	Y Marin	Y Setzler	Y Williams, E
Y Clark, V	Y Gordon	Y Martin	Y Sharper	Y Williamson
Y Coleman	Y Gravley	Y Maxwell	Y Shaw	Y Yates
Y Cooke	Y Greene	Y Mayo	Y Sims, B	Ralston, Speaker

On the passage of the Bill, as amended, the ayes were 168, nays 2.

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

The following Bill of the House was taken up for the purpose of considering the Senate action thereon:

HB 295. By Representatives Battles of the 15th and Powell of the 171st:

A BILL to be entitled an Act to amend Title 48 of the O.C.G.A., relating to revenue and taxation, so as to provide for the comprehensive revision of provisions regarding ad valorem taxation, assessment, and appeal; to provide for related matters; to provide for an effective date; to repeal conflicting laws; and for other purposes.

The following Senate substitute was read:

A BILL TO BE ENTITLED
AN ACT

To amend Title 48 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to revenue and taxation, so as to provide for the comprehensive revision of provisions regarding ad valorem taxation, assessment, and appeal; to provide for electronic notice of certain tax bills or delinquent notices; to change certain provisions regarding the publication of ad valorem tax rates; to change certain provisions relating to interest on unpaid ad valorem taxes; to change certain provisions regarding penalties for certain incomplete or improper tax digests; to change certain provisions relating to joint county appraisal staffs and contracting for advice and assistance; to change certain provisions relating to ascertainment of taxable property, assessments and penalties against unreturned property, and changing valuations established by appeal; to repeal certain provisions regarding unreturned property in counties having a population of 600,000 or more; to change certain provisions relating to the time for completion of revision and assessment of returns and submission of completed tax digest to the state revenue commissioner; to change certain provisions relating to the annual notice of current assessment; to provide a cause of action for failure to provide requested information; to revise substantially certain provisions relating to county boards of equalization and ad valorem tax appeals; to change certain provisions relating to examination of county tax digests by the state revenue commissioner and provide that certain assessments and penalties shall not apply during a specified period of time; to change certain provisions relating to the levy and collection of tax by municipalities for independent school systems; to change certain provisions relating to the issuance of mobile home location permits; to provide for increased criminal penalties for failure to attach and display certain mobile home decals; to change certain provisions relating to mobile home tax returns and decal application and issuance; to change certain provisions relating to real estate transfer tax exemptions; to change certain provisions relating to real estate transfer tax payment as certain filing prerequisites; to provide for powers, duties, and authority of the Department of Revenue and the state revenue commissioner; to provide for related matters; to provide for effective dates; to repeal conflicting laws; and for other purposes.

BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF GEORGIA:

SECTION 1.

Title 48 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to revenue and taxation, is amended in Code Section 48-3-3, relating to issuance of tax executions, by revising paragraph (1) of subsection (e) as follows:

"(e)(1)(A) Whenever technologically feasible, the tax collector or tax commissioner, at the time tax bills or any subsequent delinquent notices are mailed, shall also mail such bills or notices to any new owner that at that time appear in the records of the county board of tax assessors. The bills or notices shall be mailed to the address of record as found in the county board of tax assessors' records.

(B)(i) In the discretion of the tax commissioner, a taxpayer shall have the option of receiving tax bills or subsequent delinquent notices via electronic transmission in lieu of receiving a paper bill via first-class mail. The subject line of such

transmission shall show the words 'STATUTORY ELECTRONIC SERVICE' in capital letters, and the date shown on such transmission shall serve as a postmark. In any instance where such transmission proves undeliverable, the tax commissioner shall mail such tax bill or subsequent delinquent notice to the address of record as found in the county board of tax assessors' records.

(ii) The commissioner shall develop and make available to tax commissioners a suitable form for use by taxpayers in exercising the option to receive tax bills or subsequent delinquent notices via electronic transmission."

SECTION 2.

Said title is further amended in Code Section 48-5-32, relating to publication of ad valorem tax rates, by revising subsection (b) as follows:

"(b)(1) Each levying authority and each recommending authority shall cause a report to be published in a newspaper of general circulation throughout the county and posted on such authority's website, if available:

~~(1)~~(A) At least ~~two weeks~~ one week prior to the certification of any recommending authority to the levying authority of such recommending authority's recommended school tax for the support and maintenance of education pursuant to Article VIII, Section VI, Paragraph I of the Constitution; and

~~(2)~~(B) At least ~~two weeks~~ one week prior to the establishment by each levying authority of the millage rates for ad valorem taxes for educational purposes and ad valorem taxes for purposes other than educational purposes for the current calendar year.

(2) Such reports shall be in a prominent location in such newspaper and shall not be included with legal advertisements and such reports shall be posted in a prominent location on such authority's website, if available. The size and location of the advertisements shall not be grounds for contesting the validity of the levy."

SECTION 3.

Said title is further amended in Code Section 48-5-148, relating to interest on unpaid ad valorem taxes, by revising paragraph (3) of subsection (a) as follows:

"(3) In the discretion of the tax commissioner, a taxpayer shall have the option of receiving notices of taxes due via electronic transmission in lieu of receiving a paper bill via first-class mail. The subject line of such transmission shall show the words 'STATUTORY ELECTRONIC SERVICE' in capital letters and the date shown on such transmission shall serve as a postmark. In any instance where such transmission proves undeliverable, the tax commissioner shall mail a bill to the address of record as found in the county board of tax assessors' records. ~~After notices of taxes due are mailed out, each~~ Each taxpayer shall be afforded 60 days from date of postmark to make full payment of taxes due before the taxes shall bear interest as provided in this Code section. This paragraph shall not apply in those counties in which a lesser time has been provided by law."

SECTION 4.

Said title is further amended in Code Section 48-5-205, relating to penalties for certain incomplete or improper tax digests, by revising subsection (a) as follows:

"(a) If a tax receiver or tax commissioner fails to have his or her digest completed and deposited by ~~August~~ September 1 in each year, unless excused by provisions of law or by the commissioner, ~~he~~ such tax receiver or tax commissioner shall forfeit one-tenth of his or her commissions for each week's delay. If the delay extends beyond 30 days ~~he~~ such tax receiver or tax commissioner shall forfeit one-half of his or her commissions. If the delay extends beyond the time when the Governor and commissioner fix the rate percentage, ~~he~~ such tax receiver or tax commissioner shall forfeit all ~~his~~ such tax receiver's or tax commissioner's commissions."

SECTION 5.

Said title is further amended by revising Code Section 48-5-265, relating to joint county appraisal staffs and contracting for advice and assistance, as follows:

"48-5-265.

(a)(1) The governing authorities of any two or more ~~Contiguous Class I~~ counties may join together and ~~contract to~~ by intergovernmental agreement create a joint county property appraisal staff following consultation with the county boards of tax assessors of such counties. Under any such ~~contract~~ intergovernmental agreement, the parcels of real property within the ~~contracting~~ counties subject to the intergovernmental agreement shall be totaled, and the counties shall be deemed one county for purposes of determining the class of the counties, the resulting minimum staff requirements, and the amount of money to be received from the department. The costs of the joint county property appraisal staff shall be ~~shared, each county's share to be based upon the ratio which the number of parcels of real property in each contracting county bears to the total number of parcels of real property in all the contracting counties. Any number of Class I counties may join together to create a joint county property appraisal staff~~ determined in the intergovernmental agreement.

(2) The governing authorities of any two or more counties may execute an intergovernmental agreement to provide for the sharing of one or more designated members of property appraisal staff following consultation with the county boards of tax assessors of such counties. The costs of such shared staff members shall be determined in the intergovernmental agreement.

(b) The governing authorities of any two or more counties may join together and by intergovernmental agreement ~~Each Class I county may contract with a contiguous county which has a minimum county property appraisal staff to~~ carry out this part following consultation with the county boards of tax assessors of such counties. ~~Counties contracting in this manner~~ All counties subject to an intergovernmental agreement under this subsection shall retain their separate character for the purpose of determining the class and minimum staff requirements for each ~~contracting~~ county.

(c)(1) Any ~~Each Class I~~ county, at its discretion, may enter into contracts with persons to render advice or assistance to the county board of tax assessors ~~and to the~~

~~county board of equalization~~ in the assessment and equalization of taxes ~~and to perform such other ministerial duties as are necessary and appropriate to carry out this part~~, the establishment of property valuations, or the defense of such valuations. Such advice and assistance shall be in compliance with the laws of this state and the rules and regulations of the commissioner. Individuals performing services under such contracts shall complete satisfactorily such training courses as directed by the commissioner. The function of any person contracting to render such services shall be advisory or ministerial, ~~only~~ and the final decision as to the amount of assessments and the equalization of assessments shall be made by the county board of tax assessors ~~and the county board of equalization~~ and shall be set forth in the minutes of the county board of tax assessors.

(2) No contract entered into pursuant to paragraph (1) of this subsection shall contain any provision authorizing payment to any person contracted with, or to any person employed by any person contracted with, upon a percentage basis or upon any basis under which compensation is dependent or conditioned in any way upon increasing or decreasing the aggregate assessment of property in the county. Any contract or provision of a contract which is in violation of this paragraph ~~is~~ shall be void and unenforceable."

SECTION 6.

Said title is further amended in Code Section 48-5-299, relating to ascertainment of taxable property, assessments and penalties against unreturned property, and changing valuations established by appeal, by revising subsections (b) and (c) as follows:

"(b)~~(1) In all cases where unreturned property is assessed by the county board of tax assessors after the time provided by law for making tax returns has expired, the board shall add to the amount of state and county taxes due a penalty of 10 percent of the amount of the tax due or, if the principal sum of the tax so assessed is less than $10.00 in amount, a penalty of $1.00. The penalty provided in this subsection shall be collected by the tax collector or the tax commissioner and in all cases shall be paid into the county treasury and shall remain the property of the county.~~

~~(2)(A) The provisions of paragraph (1) of this subsection to the contrary notwithstanding, this paragraph shall apply with respect to counties having a population of 600,000 or more according to the United States decennial census of 1970 or any future such census.~~

~~(B)~~ In all cases in which unreturned property is assessed by the board after the time provided by law for making tax returns has expired, the board shall add to the assessment of the property a penalty of 10 percent, which shall be included as a part of the taxable value for the year.

(c) ~~Real property,~~ When the value of ~~which was~~ real property is reduced and that reduction is established ~~by an appeal~~ as the result of either any appeal decision rendered pursuant to Code Section 48-5-311 or stipulated by agreement of the parties to such an appeal that this subsection shall apply in any year, and that real property has not been returned by the taxpayer at a different value during the next two successive years, then

the valuation so established by such decision or agreement may not be changed by the board of tax assessors during such two years for the sole purpose of changing the valuation so established ~~or~~ by such decision or agreement ~~rendered in an appeal to the board of equalization or superior court~~. In such cases, before changing such value or decision, the board of assessors shall first conduct an investigation into factors currently affecting the fair market value. The investigation necessary shall ~~include, but not~~ be limited to~~,~~ a visual on-site inspection of the property to ascertain if there have been any additions, deletions, or improvements to such property or the occurrence of other factors that ~~might~~ substantially affect the current fair market value of such property. If a review to determine if there are any errors in the description and characterization of such property in the files and records of the board of tax assessors discloses any errors, such errors shall not be the sole sufficient basis for increasing the valuation during the two-year period."

SECTION 7.

Said title is further amended by revising Code Section 48-5-302, relating to the time for completion of revision and assessment of returns and submission of completed tax digest to the state revenue commissioner, as follows:

"48-5-302.

Each county board of tax assessors shall complete its revision and assessment of the returns of taxpayers in its respective county by July ~~1~~ 15 of each year, except that, in all counties providing for the collection and payment of ad valorem taxes in installments, such date shall be June 1 of each year. The tax receiver or tax commissioner shall then immediately forward one copy of the completed digest to the commissioner for examination and approval."

SECTION 8.

Said title is further amended in Code Section 48-5-306, relating to annual notice of current assessment, by revising division (b)(2)(A)(iii), subparagraph (b)(2)(B), and subsection (d) as follows:

"(iii) For a parcel of nonhomestead property with a fair market value in excess of ~~$1 million~~ $750,000.00, to a hearing officer with appeal to the superior court."

"(B) The notice shall also contain the following ~~statement~~ statements in bold print:

'The estimate of your ad valorem tax bill for the current year is based on the previous or most applicable year's millage rate and the fair market value contained in this notice. The actual tax bill you receive may be more or less than this estimate. This estimate may not include all eligible exemptions.'"

"(d) **Records and information availability.** Notwithstanding the provisions of Code Section 50-18-71, in the case of all public records and information of the county board of tax assessors pertaining to the appraisal and assessment of real property:

(1) The taxpayer may request, and the county board of tax assessors shall provide within ten business days, copies of such public records and information, including, but not limited to, a description of the methodology used by the board of tax assessors

in setting the property's fair market value and testing uniformity, all documents reviewed in making the assessment, the address and parcel identification number of all real property utilized as qualified comparable properties, and all factors considered in establishing the new assessment, at a uniform copying fee not to exceed 25¢ per page; ~~and~~

(2) No additional charges or fees may be collected from the taxpayer for reasonable search, retrieval, or other administrative costs associated with providing such public records and information; and

(3)(A) The superior courts of this state shall have jurisdiction in law and in equity to entertain actions against the board of tax assessors to enforce compliance with the provisions of this subsection. Such actions may be brought by any person, firm, corporation, or other entity.

(B) In any action brought to enforce the provisions of this subsection in which the court determines that either party acted without substantial justification either in not complying with this subsection or in instituting the litigation, the court shall, unless it finds that special circumstances exist, assess in favor of the complaining party reasonable attorney's fees and other litigation costs reasonably incurred. Whether the position of the complaining party was substantially justified shall be determined on the basis of the record as a whole which is made in the proceeding for which fees and other expenses are sought.

(C) Any agency or person who provides access to information in good faith reliance on the requirements of this subsection shall not be liable in any action on account of such decision."

SECTION 9.

Said title is further amended by revising Code Section 48-5-311, relating to county boards of equalization and ad valorem tax appeals, as follows:

"48-5-311.

(a) **Establishment of boards of equalization.**

(1) Except as otherwise provided in this subsection, there is established in each county of ~~the~~ this state a county board of equalization to consist of three members and three alternate members appointed in the manner and for the term set forth in this Code section. In those counties having more than 10,000 parcels of real property, the county governing authority, by appropriate resolution adopted on or before November 1 of each year, may elect to have selected one additional county board of equalization for each 10,000 parcels of real property in the county or for any part of a number of parcels in the county exceeding 10,000 parcels.

(1.1) The grand jury shall be authorized to conduct a hearing following its receipt of the report of the clerk of the superior court under paragraph (3) of subsection (j) of this Code section and to remove one or more members of the board of equalization for failure to perform the duties under this Code section.

(2) Notwithstanding any part of this subsection to the contrary, at any time the governing authority of a county makes a request to the grand jury of the county for

additional alternate members of boards of equalization, the grand jury shall appoint the number of alternate members so requested to each board of equalization, such number not to exceed a maximum of 21 alternate members for each of the boards. The alternate members of the boards shall be duly qualified and authorized to serve on any of the boards of equalization of the county. The ~~grand jury of any such county~~ members of each board of equalization may designate a chairperson and two vice chairpersons of each such board of equalization. ~~The chairperson and vice chairpersons shall be vested with full administrative authority in calling and conducting the business of the board.~~ The clerk of the superior court shall have administrative authority in all matters governing the conduct and business of the boards of equalization so as to provide oversight and supervision of such boards and scheduling of appeals. Any combination of members or alternate members of any such board of equalization of the county shall be competent to exercise the power and authority of the board. Any person designated as an alternate member of any such board of equalization of the county shall be competent to serve in such capacity as provided in this Code section upon appointment and taking of oath.

(3) Notwithstanding any provision of this subsection to the contrary, in any county of this state having a population of 400,000 or more according to the United States decennial census of 1990 or any future such census, the governing authority of the county, by appropriate resolution adopted on or before November 1 of each year, may elect to have selected one additional county board of equalization for each 10,000 parcels of real property in the county or for any part of a number of parcels in the county exceeding 10,000 parcels. In addition to the foregoing, any two members of a county board of equalization of the county may decide an appeal from an assessment, notwithstanding any other provisions of this Code section. The decision shall be in writing and signed by at least two members of the board of equalization; and, except for the number of members necessary to decide an appeal, the decision shall conform to the requirements of this Code section.

(4) The governing authorities of two or more counties may by intergovernmental agreement establish regional boards of equalization for such counties which shall operate in the same manner and be subject to all of the requirements of this Code section specified for county boards of equalization. The intergovernmental agreement shall specify the manner in which the members of the regional board shall be appointed by the grand jury of each of the counties and shall specify which clerk of the superior court shall have oversight over and supervision of such regional board. All hearings and appeals before a regional board shall be conducted in the county in which the property which is the subject of the hearing or appeal is located.

(b) **Qualifications of board of equalization members.**

(1) Each person who is, in the judgment of the appointing grand jury, qualified and competent to serve as a grand juror, who is the owner of real property located in the county where such person is appointed to serve, or, in the case of a regional board of equalization, is the owner of real property located in any county in the region where such person is appointed to serve, and who is at least a high school graduate shall be

qualified, competent, and compellable to serve as a member or alternate member of the county board of equalization. No member of the governing authority of a county, municipality, or consolidated government; member of a county or independent board of education; member of the county board of tax assessors; employee of the county board of tax assessors; or county tax appraiser shall be competent to serve as a member or alternate member of the county board of equalization.

(2)(A) Each person seeking to be appointed as a member or alternate member of a county board of equalization shall, not later than immediately prior to the time of their appointment under subsection (c) of this Code section, file with the clerk of the superior court a uniform application form which shall be a public record. The commissioner shall design the form which indicates the applicant's education, employment background, experience, and qualifications for such appointment.

(B)(i) Within the first year after a member's initial appointment to the board of equalization ~~on or after January 1, 1981,~~ each member shall satisfactorily complete not less than 40 hours of instruction in appraisal and equalization processes and procedures, as prepared and required by the commissioner pursuant to Code Section 48-5-13.

(ii) On or after January 1, 2015, following the completion of each term of office, a member shall, within the first year of appointment to the subsequent term of office, complete satisfactorily not less than 20 hours of instruction in appraisal and equalization processes and procedures, as prepared and required by the commissioner for newly appointed members.

(iii) No person shall be eligible to hear an appeal as a member of a board of equalization unless, prior to hearing such appeal, that person shall satisfactorily complete the 20 hours of instruction in appraisal and equalization processes and procedures required under the applicable provisions of division (i) or (ii) of this subparagraph.

(iv) The failure of any member to fulfill the requirements of the applicable provisions of division (i) or (ii) of this subparagraph shall render that member ineligible to serve on the board; and the vacancy created thereby shall be filled in the same manner as other vacancies on the board are filled.

~~(B)~~(C)(i) ~~No person shall be eligible to hear an appeal as a member of a board of equalization on or after January 1, 2011, unless prior to hearing such appeal, that person shall satisfactorily complete the 40 hours of instruction in appraisal and equalization processes and procedures required under subparagraph (A) of this paragraph~~. Any person appointed to such board shall be required to complete annually a continuing education requirement of at least eight hours of instruction in appraisal and equalization procedures, as prepared and required by the commissioner pursuant to Code Section 48-5-13.

(ii) The failure of any member to fulfill the requirements of division (i) of this subparagraph shall render that member ineligible to serve on the board; and the vacancy created thereby shall be filled in the same manner as other vacancies on the board are filled.

(c) **Appointment <u>of board of equalization members.</u>**

(1) Except as provided in paragraph (2) of this subsection, each member and alternate member of the county board of equalization shall be appointed for a term of three calendar years next succeeding the date of such member or such alternate member's selection. Each term shall begin on January 1.

(2) The grand jury in each county at any term of court preceding November 1 of 1991 shall select three persons who are otherwise qualified to serve as members of the county board of equalization and shall also select three persons who are otherwise qualified to serve as alternate members of the county board of equalization. The three individuals selected as alternates shall be designated as alternate one, alternate two, and alternate three, with the most recent appointee being alternate number three, the next most recent appointee being alternate number two, and the most senior appointee being alternate number one. One member and one alternate shall be appointed for terms of one year, one member and one alternate shall be appointed for two years, and one member and one alternate shall be appointed for three years. Each year thereafter, the grand jury of each county shall select one member and one alternate for three-year terms.

(3) If a vacancy occurs on the county board of equalization, the individual designated as alternate one shall then serve as a member of the board of equalization for the unexpired term. If a vacancy occurs among the alternate members, the grand jury then in session or the next grand jury shall select an individual who is otherwise qualified to serve as an alternate member of the county board of equalization for the unexpired term. The individual so selected shall become alternate member three, and the other two alternates shall be redesignated appropriately.

(4) Within five days after the names of the members and alternate members of the county board or boards of equalization have been selected, the clerk of the superior court shall ~~issue and deliver~~ <u>cause such appointees to appear before the clerk of the superior court for the purpose of taking and executing in writing the oath of office. The clerk of the superior court may utilize any means necessary for such purpose, including, but not limited to, telephonic or other communication, regular first-class mail, or issuance of and delivery</u> to the sheriff or deputy sheriff a precept containing the names of the persons so selected. Within ten days of receiving the precept, the sheriff or deputy sheriff shall cause the persons whose names are written on the precept to be served personally or by leaving the summons at their place of residence. The summons shall direct the persons named on the summons to appear before the clerk of the superior court on a date specified in the summons, which date shall not be later than December 15.

(5) Each member and alternate member of the county board of equalization, on the date prescribed for appearance before the clerk of the superior court and before entering on the discharge of such member and alternate member's duties, shall take and execute in writing before the clerk of the superior court the following oath:

'I, _____, agree to serve as a member of the board of equalization of the County of _____ and will decide any issue put before me without favor

or affection to any party and without prejudice for or against any party. I will follow and apply the laws of this state. I also agree not to discuss any case or any issue with any person other than members of the board of equalization except at any appeal hearing. I shall faithfully and impartially discharge my duties in accordance with the Constitution and laws of this state, to the best of my skill and knowledge. So help me God.

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Signature of member or alternate member'

In addition to the oath of office prescribed in this paragraph, the presiding or chief judge of the superior court or his or her designee shall charge each member and alternate member of the county board of equalization with the law and duties relating to such office.

(d) **Duties and powers of board of equalization members.**

(1) The county board of equalization shall hear and determine appeals from assessments and denials of homestead exemptions as provided in subsection (e) of this Code section.

(2) If, in the course of determining an appeal, the county board of equalization finds reason to believe that the property involved in an appeal or the class of property in which is included the property involved in an appeal is not uniformly assessed with other property included in the digest, the board shall request the respective parties to the appeal to present relevant information with respect to that question. If the board determines that uniformity is not present, the board may order the county board of tax assessors to take such action as is necessary to obtain uniformity, except that, when a question of county-wide uniformity is considered by the board, the board may recommend a partial or total county-wide revaluation only upon a determination by a majority of all the members of the board that the clear and convincing weight of the evidence requires such action. The board of equalization may act pursuant to this paragraph whether or not the appellant has raised the issue of uniformity.

(3) The board shall establish procedures which comply strictly with the regulations promulgated by the commissioner pursuant to subparagraph ~~(e)(5)(B)~~ (e)(1)(D) of this Code section for the conducting of appeals before the board. The procedures shall be entered into the minutes of the board, and a copy of the procedures shall be made available to any individual upon request.

(4)(A) The clerk of the superior court shall have oversight over and supervision of all boards of equalization of the county and hearing officers. This oversight and supervision shall include, but not be limited to, requiring appointment of members of county boards of equalization by the grand jury; giving the notice of the appointment of members and alternates of the county board of equalization by the county grand jury as required by Code Section 15-12-81; collecting the names of possible appointees; collecting information from possible appointees as to their qualifications; presenting the names of the possible appointees to the county grand jury; processing the appointments as required by paragraph (4) of subsection (c) of

this Code section, including administering the oath of office to the newly appointed members and alternates of the county board of equalization as required by paragraph (5) of such subsection; instructing the newly appointed members and alternates as to the training they must receive and the operations of the county board of equalization; presenting to the grand jury of the county the names of possible appointees to fill vacancies as provided in paragraph (3) of such subsection; maintaining a roster of board members and alternates, maintaining a record showing that the board members and alternates completed training, keeping attendance records of board members and alternates for the purpose of payment for service, and maintaining the uniform application forms and keeping a record of the appointment dates of board members and alternates and their terms in office; and informing the county board of equalization that it must establish by regulation procedures for conducting appeals before the board as required by paragraph (3) of this subsection ~~(d) of this Code section~~. Oversight and supervision shall also include the scheduling of board hearings, assistance in scheduling hearings before hearing officers, and giving notice of the date, time, and place of hearings to the taxpayers and the county board of tax assessors and giving notice of the decisions of the county board of equalization or hearing officer to the taxpayer and county board of tax assessors as required by division (e)(6)(D)(i) of this Code section.

(B) The county governing authority shall provide any resources to the clerk of superior court that are required to be provided by paragraph (7) of subsection (e) of this Code section.

(C) The county governing authority shall provide to the clerk of superior court facilities and secretarial and clerical help for appeals pursuant to subsection (e.1) of this Code section.

(D) The clerk of superior court shall maintain any county records of all notices to the taxpayer and the taxpayer's attorney, of certified receipts of returned or unclaimed mail, and from the hearings before the board of equalization and before hearing officers ~~until~~ for 12 months after the deadline to file any appeal to the superior court expires. If an appeal is not filed to the superior court, the clerk of superior court is authorized to properly destroy any records from the hearings before the county board of equalization or hearing officers but shall maintain records of all notices to the taxpayer and the taxpayer's attorney and certified receipts of returned or unclaimed mail for 12 months. If an appeal to the superior court is filed, the clerk of superior court shall file such appeal and records in the civil action that is considered open by the clerk of superior court for such appeal, and such records shall become part of the record on appeal in accordance with paragraph (2) of subsection (g) of this Code section.

(e) **Appeal.**

(1)(A) Any taxpayer or property owner as of the last date for filing an appeal may elect to file an appeal from an assessment by the county board of tax assessors to ~~either~~:

(i) The county board of equalization as to matters of taxability, uniformity of assessment, and value, and, for residents, as to denials of homestead exemptions pursuant to paragraph (2) of this subsection;

(ii) An arbitrator as to matters of value pursuant to subsection (f) of this Code section; or

(iii) A hearing officer as to matters of value and uniformity of assessment for a parcel of nonhomestead real property with a fair market value in excess of ~~$1 million~~ $750,000.00 as shown on the taxpayer's annual notice of current assessment under Code Section 48-5-306, and any contiguous nonhomestead real property owned by the same taxpayer, pursuant to subsection (e.1) of this Code section.

(A.1) The commissioner shall establish by rule and regulation a uniform appeal form that the taxpayer may use.

(B) In addition to the grounds enumerated in subparagraph (A) of this paragraph, any taxpayer having property that is located within a municipality, the boundaries of which municipality extend into more than one county, may also appeal from an assessment on such property by the county board of tax assessors to the county board of equalization or to a hearing officer as to matters of uniformity of assessment of such property with other properties located within such municipality, and any uniformity adjustments to the assessment that may result from such appeal shall only apply for municipal ad valorem tax purposes.

(B.1) The taxpayer or his or her agent or representative may submit in support of his or her appeal an appraisal given, signed, and certified as such by a real property appraiser as classified by the Georgia Real Estate Commission and the Georgia Real Estate Appraisers Board which was performed not later than nine months prior to the date of assessment. The board shall consider the appraisal upon request. Within 45 days of the receipt of the taxpayer's appraisal, the board shall notify the taxpayer or his or her agent or representative of acceptance of the appraisal, or notify the taxpayer or his or her agent or representative of the reasons for rejection.

(C) Appeals to the county board of equalization shall be conducted in the manner provided in paragraph (2) of this subsection. Appeals to a hearing officer shall be conducted in the manner specified in subsection (e.1) of this Code section. Appeals to an arbitrator shall be conducted in the manner specified in subsection (f) of this Code section. Such appeal proceedings shall be conducted between the hours of 8:00 A.M. and 7:00 P.M. on a business day. Following the notification of the taxpayer of the date and time of such taxpayer's scheduled hearing, the taxpayer shall be authorized to exercise a one-time option of changing the date and time of the taxpayer's scheduled hearing to a day and time acceptable to the taxpayer and the county board of tax assessors. The clerk of the superior court shall grant additional extensions to the taxpayer or the county board of tax assessors for good cause shown, or by agreement of the parties.

(D) The commissioner, by regulation, shall adopt uniform procedures and standards which shall be followed by county boards of equalization, hearing officers, and

arbitrators in determining appeals. Such rules shall be updated and revised periodically and reviewed no less frequently than every five years. The commissioner shall publish and update annually a manual for use by county boards of equalization.

(2)(A) An appeal shall be effected by e-mailing, if the county board of tax assessors has adopted a written policy consenting to electronic service, or by mailing to or filing with the county board of tax assessors a notice of appeal within 45 days from the date of mailing the notice pursuant to Code Section 48-5-306. A written objection to an assessment of real property received by a county board of tax assessors stating the location of the real property and the identification number, if any, contained in the tax notice shall be deemed a notice of appeal by the taxpayer under the grounds listed in paragraph (1) of this subsection. A written objection to an assessment of personal property received by a county board of tax assessors giving the account number, if any, contained in the tax notice and stating that the objection is to an assessment of personal property shall be deemed a notice of appeal by the taxpayer under the grounds listed in paragraph (1) of this subsection. The county board of tax assessors shall review the valuation or denial in question, and, if any changes or corrections are made in the valuation or decision in question, the board shall send a notice of the changes or corrections to the taxpayer pursuant to Code Section 48-5-306. Such notice shall also explain the taxpayer's right to appeal to the county board of equalization as provided in subparagraph (C) of this paragraph if the taxpayer is dissatisfied with the changes or corrections made by the county board of tax assessors.

(B) If no changes or corrections are made in the valuation or decision, the county board of tax assessors shall send written notice thereof to the taxpayer, to any authorized agent or representative of the taxpayer who the taxpayer has requested that such notice be sent, and to the county board of equalization which notice shall also constitute the taxpayer's appeal to the county board of equalization without the necessity of the taxpayer's filing any additional notice of appeal to the county board of tax assessors or to the county board of equalization. The county board of tax assessors shall also send or deliver all necessary papers to the county board of equalization. If, however, the taxpayer and the county board of tax assessors execute a signed agreement as to valuation, the appeal shall terminate as of the date of such signed agreement.

(C) If changes or corrections are made by the county board of tax assessors, the board shall notify the taxpayer in writing of such changes. The commissioner shall develop and make available to county boards of tax assessors a suitable form which shall be used in such notification to the taxpayer. The notice shall be sent by regular mail properly addressed to the address or addresses the taxpayer provided to the county board of tax assessors and to any authorized agent or representative of the taxpayer who the taxpayer has requested that such notice be sent. If the taxpayer is dissatisfied with such changes or corrections, the taxpayer shall, within 30 days of the date of mailing of the change notice, ~~institute an~~ notify the county board of tax

assessors to continue the taxpayer's appeal to the county board of ~~tax assessors~~ equalization by e-mailing, if the county board of tax assessors has adopted a written policy consenting to electronic service, or by mailing to or filing with the county board of tax assessors a written notice of ~~appeal~~ continuance. The county board of tax assessors shall send or deliver the notice of appeal and all necessary papers to the county board of equalization.

(D) The written notice to the taxpayer required by this paragraph shall contain a statement of the grounds for rejection of any position the taxpayer has asserted with regard to the valuation of the property. No addition to or amendment of such grounds as to such position shall be permitted before the county board of equalization.

(3)(A) In ~~any~~ each year ~~in which no county-wide revaluation is implemented~~, the county board of tax assessors shall make its determination and notify the taxpayer within 180 days after receipt of the taxpayer's notice of appeal. If the county board of tax assessors fails to respond to the taxpayer within such 180 day period during such year, the ~~appeal shall be automatically referred to the county board of equalization~~ property valuation submitted by the taxpayer shall become the assessed fair market value for the taxpayer's property for the tax year under appeal only if a property valuation was submitted by the taxpayer.

(B) In any county in which the number of appeals exceeds a number equal to or greater than 3 percent of the total number of parcels in the county or the sum of the current assessed value of the parcels under appeal is equal to or greater than 3 percent of the gross tax digest of the county, the county board of tax assessors shall be granted an additional 180 day period to make its determination and notify the taxpayer. Such additional period shall commence immediately following the last day of the 180 days provided for under subparagraph (A) of this paragraph. If the county board of tax assessors fails to make its determination and notify the taxpayer or the taxpayer's attorney not later than the last day of such additional 180 day period, the most recent property tax valuation asserted by the taxpayer on the property tax return or on appeal shall prevail and shall be deemed the value established on such appeal unless a time extension is granted under subparagraph (C) of this paragraph. If no such assertion of value was submitted by the taxpayer, the appeal shall be forwarded to the county board of equalization.

(C) Upon a sufficient showing of good cause by reason of unforeseen circumstances proven to the commissioner prior to the expiration of the additional 180 day period provided for under subparagraph (B) of this paragraph, the commissioner shall be authorized to provide for a time extension beyond the end of such additional 180 day period. The duration of any such time extension shall be specified in writing by the commissioner and shall also be posted on the website of the county board of tax assessors if such a website is available. If the county board of tax assessors fails to make its determination and notify the taxpayer and the taxpayer's attorney not later than the last day of such time extension, the most recent property tax valuation asserted by the taxpayer on the property tax return or on

appeal shall prevail and shall be deemed the value established on such appeal. If no such assertion of value was submitted by the taxpayer, the appeal shall be forwarded to the county board of equalization. In addition, the commissioner shall be authorized to require additional training or require such other remediation as the commissioner may deem appropriate for failure to meet the deadline imposed by the commissioner under this subparagraph.

(4) The determination by the county board of tax assessors of questions of factual characteristics of the property under appeal, as opposed to questions of value, shall be prima-facie correct in any appeal to the county board of equalization. However, the board of tax assessors shall have the burden of proving its opinions of value and the validity of its proposed assessment by a preponderance of evidence.

(5) The county board of equalization shall determine all questions presented to it on the basis of the best information available to the board.

(6)(A) Within 15 days of the receipt of the notice of appeal, the county board of equalization shall set a date for a hearing on the questions presented and shall so notify the taxpayer and the county board of tax assessors in writing. Such notice shall be sent by first-class mail to the taxpayer and to any authorized agent or representative of the taxpayer who the taxpayer has requested that such notice be sent. Such notice shall be transmitted by e-mail to the county board of tax assessors if such board has adopted a written policy consenting to electronic service, and, if it has not, then such notice shall be sent to such board by first-class mail or intergovernmental mail. Such written notice shall advise each party that they may request a list of witnesses, documents, or other written evidence to be presented at the hearing by the other party, which shall be provided to the requesting party not less than seven days prior to the time of the hearing. Any failure to comply with this requirement shall be grounds for an automatic continuance or for exclusion of such witness, documents, or other written evidence. A taxpayer may appear before the board of equalization concerning any appeal in person, by his or her authorized agent or representative, or both. The taxpayer shall specify in writing to the board of equalization the name of any such agent or representative prior to any appearance by the agent or representative before the board.

(B) Within 30 days of the date of notification to the taxpayer of the hearing required in this paragraph but not earlier than 20 days from the date of such notification to the taxpayer, the county board of equalization shall hold such hearing to determine the questions presented.

(C) If more than one ~~contiguous~~ property of a taxpayer is under appeal, the board of equalization shall, upon request of the taxpayer, consolidate all such appeals in one hearing and render separate decisions as to each parcel or item of property. Any appeal from such a consolidated board of equalization hearing to the superior court as provided in this subsection shall constitute a single civil action, and, unless the taxpayer specifically so indicates in his or her notice of appeal, shall apply to all such parcels or items of property.

(D)(i) The board of equalization shall ~~render~~ announce its decision on each appeal at the conclusion of the hearing ~~under~~ held in accordance with subparagraph (B) of this paragraph before proceeding with another hearing. The decision of the county board of equalization shall be in writing, shall be signed by each member of the board, shall specifically decide each question presented by the appeal, shall specify the reason or reasons for each such decision as to the specific issues of taxability, uniformity of assessment, value, or denial of homestead exemptions depending upon the specific issue or issues raised by the taxpayer in the course of such taxpayer's appeal, shall state that with respect to the appeal no member of the board is disqualified from acting by virtue of subsection (j) of this Code section, and shall certify the date on which notice of the decision is given to the parties. Notice of the decision shall be delivered by hand to each party, with written receipt, or given to each party by sending a copy of the decision by registered or certified mail or statutory overnight delivery to the appellant and by filing the original copy of the decision with the county board of tax assessors. Each of the three members of the county board of equalization must be present and must participate in the deliberations on any appeal. A majority vote shall be required in any matter. All three members of the board ~~must~~ shall sign the decision indicating their vote.

(ii) Except as otherwise provided in subparagraph (g)(4)(B) of this Code section, the county board of tax assessors shall use the valuation of the county board of equalization in compiling the tax digest for the county for the year in question and shall indicate such valuation as the previous year's value on the property tax notice of assessment of such taxpayer for the immediately following year rather than substituting the valuation which was changed by the county board of equalization.

(iii)(I) If the county's tax bills are issued before ~~the county board of equalization has rendered decision on property which is on appeal~~ an appeal has been finally determined, the county board of tax assessors shall specify to the county tax commissioner the lesser of the valuation in the ~~year preceding the year in which the appeal was filed~~ last year for which taxes were finally determined to be due on the property or 85 percent of the current year's value, unless the property in issue is homestead property and has been issued a building permit and structural improvements have occurred, or structural improvements have been made without a building permit, in which case, it shall specify 85 percent of the current year's valuation as set by the county board of assessors. Depending on the circumstances of the property, this amount shall be the basis for a temporary tax bill to be issued; provided, however, that ~~the~~ a nonhomestead owner of a single property valued at $2 million or more may elect to pay the temporary tax bill which specifies 85 percent of the current year's valuation; or, such owner may elect to pay the amount of the difference between the 85 percent tax bill based on the current year's valuation and the tax bill based on the valuation from the last year for which taxes were finally determined to be due on the property in conjunction with the amount of the tax bill based on valuation from the last year

for which taxes were finally determined to be due on the property, to the tax commissioner's office. Only the amount which represents the difference between the tax bill based on the current year's valuation and the tax bill based on the valuation from the last year for which taxes were finally determined to be due will be held in an escrow account by the tax commissioner's office. Once the appeal is concluded, the escrowed funds shall be released by the tax commissioner's office to the prevailing party. The taxpayer may elect to pay the temporary tax bill in the amount of 100 percent of the current year's valuation if no substantial property improvement has occurred. The county tax commissioner shall have the authority to adjust such tax bill to reflect the 100 percent value as requested by the taxpayer. Such tax bill shall be accompanied by a notice to the taxpayer that the bill is a temporary tax bill pending the outcome of the appeal process. Such notice shall also indicate that upon resolution of the appeal, there may be additional taxes due or a refund issued.

(II) For the purposes of this Code section, any final value that causes a ~~deduction~~ reduction in taxes and creates a refund that is owed to the taxpayer shall be paid by the tax commissioner to the taxpayer, entity, or transferee who paid the taxes with interest, as provided in subsection (m) of this Code section. ~~within 60 days from the date of the final determination of value. Such refund shall include interest on the amount of the deduction at the same rate specified in Code Section 48-2-35 which shall accrue from November 15 of the taxable year in question or the date the final installment was due or was paid, whichever is later, through to the date paid or 60 days from the date of the final determination, whichever is earlier. In no event shall the amount of such interest exceed $150.00 for homestead property or $5,000.00 for nonhomestead property. Any refund paid after the sixtieth day shall accrue interest from the sixty first day until paid with interest at the same rate specified in Code Section 48-2-35. The interest accrued after the sixtieth day and forward shall not be subject to the limits imposed by this subsection. The tax commissioner shall pay the tax refund and any interest for the refund from current collections in the same proportion for each of the levying authorities for whom the taxes were collected.~~

(III) For the purposes of this Code section, any final value that causes an increase in taxes and creates an additional billing shall be paid to the tax commissioner as any other tax due along with interest, as provided in subsection (m) of this Code section. ~~as specified in Code Section 48-2-35. The tax commissioner shall adjust the tax bill, including interest, within 15 days from the date of the final determination of value and mail the adjusted bill to the taxpayer. Such interest shall accrue from November 15 of the taxable year in question or the final installment of the tax was due through to the date the bill was adjusted and mailed or 15 days from the date of the final determination, whichever is earlier. The interest computed on the additional billing shall in no event exceed $150.00 for homestead property or $5,000.00 for nonhomestead property. After the tax bill notice has been mailed out, the taxpayer shall be afforded 60 days~~

~~from the date of the postmark to make full payment of the adjusted bill and interest. Once the 60 day payment period has expired, the bill shall be considered past due, and interest shall accrue as specified in Code Section 48-2-40 without limit until the bill is paid in full. Once past due, all other fees, penalties, late charges, and collection notices shall apply as prescribed in this chapter for the collection of delinquent taxes.~~

(7) The clerk of the superior court shall furnish the county board of equalization necessary facilities and ~~secretarial and clerical~~ administrative help. The clerk of the superior court shall see that the records and information of the county board of tax assessors are transmitted to the county board of equalization. The county board of equalization ~~must~~ shall consider in the performance of its duties the information furnished by the county board of tax assessors and the taxpayer.

(8) The taxpayer or his or her agent or representative may submit in support of his or her appeal the most current report of the sales ratio study for the county conducted pursuant to Code Section 48-5-274. The board ~~must~~ shall consider the study upon any such request.

(9) If at any time during the appeal process to the county board of equalization and after certification by the county board of tax assessors to the county board of equalization, the county board of tax assessors and the taxpayer mutually agree in writing on the fair market value, then the county board of tax assessors, or the county board of equalization, as the case may be, shall enter the agreed amount in all appropriate records as the fair market value of the property under appeal, and the appeal shall be concluded. The provisions in subsection (c) of Code Section 48-5-299 shall apply to the valuation unless otherwise waived by both parties.

(10) Within ten days of a final determination of value under this Code section with no further option to appeal, the county board of tax assessors shall forward that final determination of value to the tax commissioner.

(e.1)(1) For any dispute involving the value or uniformity of a parcel of nonhomestead real property with a fair market value in excess of ~~$1 million~~ $750,000.00 as shown on the taxpayer's annual notice of current assessment under Code Section 48-5-306, at the option of the taxpayer, an appeal may be submitted to a hearing officer in accordance with this subsection. If such taxpayer owns nonhomestead real property contiguous to such qualified nonhomestead real property, at the option of the taxpayer, such contiguous property may be consolidated with the qualified property for purposes of the hearing under this subsection.

(2) Individuals desiring to serve as hearing officers and who are either state certified general real property appraisers or state certified residential real property appraisers as classified by the Georgia Real Estate Commission and the Georgia Real Estate Appraisers Board shall complete and submit an application, a list of counties the hearing officer is willing to serve, disqualification questionnaire, and resume and be approved by the Georgia Real Estate Commission and the Georgia Real Estate Appraisers Board to serve as a hearing officer. Such board shall annually publish a list of qualified and approved hearing officers for Georgia.

(3) The clerk of the superior court shall furnish any hearing officer so selected the necessary facilities.

(4) An appeal shall be effected by e-mailing, if the county board of tax assessors has adopted a written policy consenting to electronic service, or by filing with the county board of tax assessors a notice of appeal to a hearing officer within 45 days from the date of mailing the notice of assessment pursuant to Code Section 48-5-306. A written objection to an assessment of real property received by a county board of tax assessors stating the taxpayer's election to appeal to a hearing officer and showing the location of the real property contained in the assessment notice shall be deemed a notice of appeal by the taxpayer.

(5) The county board of tax assessors may for no more than 90 days review the taxpayer's written appeal, and if either changes or corrections are made by the county board of tax assessors, or if no changes are made, the board shall notify the taxpayer in writing of ~~such changes~~ the board's decision. If within 30 days of the mailing of such notice the taxpayer notifies the county board of tax assessors in writing that ~~such changes or corrections are~~ the board's decision is not acceptable, the county board of tax assessors shall, within 30 days of the date of mailing of such taxpayer's notification, ~~send or deliver~~ certify the notice of appeal and send or deliver all necessary papers to the clerk of the superior court and mail a copy to the taxpayer.

(6)(A) The clerk of superior court shall randomly select from such list a hearing officer who shall have experience or expertise in hearing or appraising the type of property that is the subject of appeal to hear the appeal, unless the taxpayer and the county board of tax assessors mutually agree upon a hearing officer from such list. The clerk of the superior court shall notify the taxpayer and the taxpayer's attorney of the name of the hearing officer and transmit a copy of the hearing officer's disqualification questionnaire and resume provided for under paragraph (2) of this subsection. The hearing officer, in conjunction with all parties to the appeal, shall set a time and place to hear evidence and testimony from both parties. The hearing shall take place in the county where the property is located, or such other place as mutually agreed to by the parties and the hearing officer. The hearing officer shall provide electronic or written notice to the parties personally or by registered or certified mail or statutory overnight delivery not less than ten days before the hearing. Such written notice shall advise each party that documents or other written evidence to be presented at the hearing by a party must be provided to the other party not less than seven days prior to the time of the hearing and that any failure to comply with this requirement shall be grounds for an automatic continuance or for exclusion of such documents or other written evidence.

(B) If the clerk of the superior court, after a diligent search, cannot find a qualified hearing officer who is willing to serve, the clerk of the superior court shall transfer the certification of the appeal to the county or regional board of equalization and notify the taxpayer and the taxpayer's attorney and the county board of tax assessors of the transmittal of such appeal.

(7) The hearing officer shall swear in all witnesses, perform the powers, duties, and authority of a county or regional board of equalization, and determine the fair market value of the real property based upon the testimony and evidence presented during the hearing. Any issues other than fair market value and uniformity raised in the appeal shall be preserved for appeal to the superior court. The board of tax assessors shall have the burden of proving its opinion of value and the validity of its proposed assessment by a preponderance of evidence. At the conclusion of the hearing, the hearing officer shall notify both parties of the decision verbally and shall send ~~the taxpayer~~ both parties the decision in writing.

(8) The taxpayer or the board of tax assessors may appeal the decision of the hearing officer to the superior court as provided in subsection (g) of this Code section.

(9) If, at any time during the appeal under this subsection, the taxpayer and the county board of tax assessors execute a signed written agreement on the fair market value and any other issues raised~~,~~; the appeal shall terminate as of the date of such signed agreement; ~~and~~ the fair market value as set forth in such agreement shall become final; and subsection (c) of Code Section 48-5-299 shall apply. The provisions contained in this paragraph may be waived at any time by written consent of the taxpayer and the county board of tax assessors.

(10) Each hearing officer shall be compensated by the county for time expended in considering appeals. The compensation shall be paid at a rate of not less than $75.00 per hour for the first hour and not less than $25.00 per hour for each hour thereafter as determined by the county governing authority or as may be agreed upon by the parties with the consent of the county governing authority. Compensation pursuant to this paragraph shall be paid from the county treasury upon certification by the hearing officer of the hours expended in hearing of appeals. The attendance at any training required by the commissioner shall be part of the qualifications of the hearing officer, and any nominal cost of such training shall be paid by the hearing officer. ~~If the clerk of the superior court, after diligent search, cannot find a qualified hearing officer who is willing to serve, the clerk of the superior court shall notify the county board of tax assessors in writing. The county board of tax assessors shall then certify the appeal to the county or regional board of equalization.~~

(11) The commissioner shall promulgate rules and regulations for the proper administration of this subsection, including, but not limited to, ~~a uniform appeal form;~~ qualifications; training, including an eight-hour course on Georgia property law, Georgia evidence law, preponderance of evidence, burden of proof, credibility of the witnesses, and weight of evidence; disqualification questionnaire; selection; removal; an annual continuing education requirement of at least four hours of instruction in recent legislation, current case law, and updates on appraisal and equalization procedures, as prepared and required by the commissioner; and any other matters necessary to the proper administration of this subsection. The failure of any hearing officer to fulfill the requirements of this paragraph shall render that person ineligible to serve. Such rules and regulations shall also include a uniform appeal form which shall require the initial assertion of a valuation of the property by the taxpayer. Any

such assertion of value shall be subject to later revision by the taxpayer based upon written evidence. The commissioner shall seek input from all interested parties prior to such promulgation.

(f) **Arbitration.**

(1) As used in this subsection, the term 'certified appraisal' means an appraisal or appraisal report given, signed, and certified as such by a real property appraiser as classified by the Georgia Real Estate Commission and the Georgia Real Estate Appraisers Board.

(2) At the option of the taxpayer, an appeal shall be submitted to arbitration in accordance with this subsection.

(3)(A) Following an election by the taxpayer to use the arbitration provisions of this subsection, an arbitration appeal shall be effected by the taxpayer by e-mailing, if the county board of tax assessors has adopted a written policy consenting to electronic service, or by filing a written notice of arbitration appeal with the county board of tax assessors. The notice of arbitration appeal shall specifically state the grounds for arbitration. The notice shall be filed within 45 days from the date of mailing the notice pursuant to Code Section 48-5-306. Within ten days of receipt of a taxpayer's notice of arbitration appeal, the board of tax assessors shall send to the taxpayer an acknowledgment of receipt of the appeal; a notice that the taxpayer ~~must~~ shall, within 45 days of the ~~filing of the notice~~ date of transmittal of the acknowledgment of receipt of the appeal, provide to the board of assessors for consideration a copy of a certified appraisal; and a confirmation of the amount of the filing fees, if any, required under Code Section 15-6-77 and notice that within 45 days of the date of transmittal of the acknowledgment of receipt of the appeal, the taxpayer shall pay to the clerk of the superior court the fees, if any, if the county board of tax assessors rejects the appraisal. Failure of the taxpayer to provide such certified appraisal and filing fees within such 45 days shall terminate the appeal unless the taxpayer within such 45 day period elects to have the appeal immediately forwarded to the board of equalization. Prior to appointment of the arbitrator and within 45 days of ~~filing the notice of~~ the acknowledgment of the receipt of the appeal, the taxpayer shall provide a copy of the certified appraisal as specified in this paragraph to the board of assessors for consideration. Within 45 days of receiving the taxpayer's certified appraisal, the board of assessors shall either accept the taxpayer's appraisal, in which case that value shall become final, or the county board of tax assessors shall reject the taxpayer's appraisal by sending within ten days of the date of such rejection a written notification by certified mail of such rejection to the taxpayer and the taxpayer's attorney of record, in which case the county board of tax assessors shall certify within 45 days the appeal to the clerk of the superior court of the county in which the property is located along with any other papers specified by the person seeking arbitration under this subsection, including, but not limited to, the staff information from the file used by the county board of tax assessors. In the event the taxpayer is not notified of a rejection of the taxpayer's appraisal within such ten-day period, the taxpayer's appraisal value shall

become final. In the event that the county board of tax assessors neither accepts nor rejects the value set out in the certified appraisal within ~~such 45 day period~~ 45 days after the receipt of the certified appraisal, then the certified appraisal shall become the final value, and the filing fees shall be returned to the taxpayer. In any case where a taxpayer properly filed for the 2009 tax year a notice of binding arbitration appeal and provided the required certified appraisal in accordance with this paragraph and the board of assessors neither accepted nor rejected the value set out in such certified appraisal within the 30 day period formerly specified under this subparagraph, then for purposes of the 2009 tax year, the value set forth in the taxpayer's certified appraisal shall be deemed the final value. All papers and information certified to the clerk shall become a part of the record on arbitration. At the time of certification of the appeal, the county board of tax assessors shall serve the taxpayer and the taxpayer's attorney of record, if any, or employee with a copy of the certification along with any other papers specified by the person seeking arbitration along with the civil action file number assigned to the appeal. Within 15 days of filing the certification to the clerk of the superior court, the presiding or chief judge of the superior court of the circuit in which the property is located shall issue an order authorizing the arbitration.

(B) At any point, the county board of tax assessors and the taxpayer may execute a signed, written agreement establishing the fair market value without entering into or completing the arbitration process. The fair market value as set forth in such agreement shall become the final value.

~~(B)~~(C) The arbitration shall be conducted pursuant to the following procedure:

(i) The county board of tax assessors shall, at the time the appeal is certified to the clerk of the superior court under subparagraph (A) of this paragraph, provide to the taxpayer a notice of a meeting time and place to decide upon an arbitrator, to occur within 60 days after the date of sending the rejection of the taxpayer's certified appraisal. Following the notification of the taxpayer of the date and time of the meeting, the taxpayer shall be authorized to exercise a one-time option of changing the date and time of the meeting to a date and time acceptable to the taxpayer and the county board of tax assessors. If the parties agree, the matter shall be submitted to a single arbitrator chosen by the parties. ~~If~~ Only if the parties cannot agree on the single arbitrator, the arbitrator shall be chosen by the presiding or chief judge of the superior court of the circuit in which the property is located within 30 days after the filing of a petition by either party;

(ii) In order to be qualified to serve as an arbitrator, a person shall be classified as a state certified general real property appraiser or state certified residential real property appraiser pursuant to the rules and regulations of the Georgia Real Estate Commission and the Georgia Real Estate Appraisers Board and shall have experience or expertise in appraising the type of property that is the subject of the arbitration;

(iii) The arbitrator, within 30 days after his or her appointment, shall set a time and place to hear evidence and testimony from both parties. The arbitrator shall

provide written notice to the parties personally or by registered or certified mail or statutory overnight delivery not less than ten days before the hearing. Such written notice shall advise each party that documents or other written evidence to be presented at the hearing by a party must be provided to the other party not less than seven days prior to the time of the hearing and that any failure to comply with this requirement, unless waived by mutual written agreement of such parties, shall be grounds for a continuance or for exclusion of such documents or other written evidence. The arbitrator, in consultation with the parties, may adjourn or postpone the hearing. Following notification of the taxpayer of the date and time of the hearing, the taxpayer shall be authorized to exercise a one-time option of changing the date and time of the hearing to a date and time acceptable to the taxpayer and the county board of tax assessors. The presiding or chief judge of the superior court of the circuit in which the property is located may direct the arbitrator to proceed promptly with the hearing and the determination of the appeal upon application of any party. The hearing shall occur in the county in which the property is located or such other place as may be agreed upon in writing by the parties;

(iv) At the hearing, the parties shall be entitled to be heard, to present documents, testimony, and other matters, and to cross-examine witnesses. The arbitrator may hear and determine the controversy upon the documents, testimony, and other matters produced notwithstanding the failure of a party duly notified to appear;

(v) The arbitrator shall maintain a record of all pleadings, documents, testimony, and other matters introduced at the hearing. The arbitrator or any party to the proceeding may have the proceedings transcribed by a court reporter;

(vi) The provisions of this paragraph may be waived at any time by written consent of the taxpayer and the board of tax assessors;

(vii) At the conclusion of the hearing, the arbitrator shall render a decision regarding the value of the property subject to arbitration;

(viii) In order to determine the value, the arbitrator shall consider ~~a single~~ the final value for the property submitted by the board of assessors and ~~a single~~ the final value submitted by the taxpayer. The taxpayer shall be responsible for the cost of any appraisal by the taxpayer's appraiser;

(ix) Upon consideration of the ~~single~~ final value submitted by the board of assessors and the ~~single~~ final value submitted by the taxpayer, and evidence supporting the values submitted by the board of assessors and the taxpayer, the arbitrator shall determine which value is the value for the property under appeal;

(x) If the taxpayer's value is determined by the arbitrator to be the value, the county shall be responsible for the clerk of the superior court's fees, if any, and the fees and costs of such arbitrator. If the board of tax assessors' value is determined by the arbitrator to be the value, the taxpayer shall be responsible for the clerk of the superior court's fees, if any, and the fees and costs of such arbitrator; and

(xi) The board of tax assessors shall have the burden of proving its opinion of value and the validity of its proposed assessment by a preponderance of evidence.

(4) The provisions in subsection (c) of Code Section 48-5-299 shall apply to the valuation established or rendered by any county board of equalization, arbitrator, hearing officer, or superior court.

(5)(A) If the county's tax bills are issued before an arbitrator has rendered its decision on property which is on appeal, the county board of tax assessors shall specify to the county tax commissioner the lesser of the valuation in the year preceding the year in which the appeal was filed or 85 percent of the current year's value, unless the property in issue has been issued a building permit and structural improvements have occurred, or structural improvements have been made without a building permit, in which case, it shall specify 85 percent of the current year's valuation as set by the county board of assessors. Depending on the circumstances of the property, this amount shall be the basis for a temporary tax bill to be issued; provided, however, that the taxpayer may elect to pay the temporary tax bill in the amount of 100 percent of the current year's valuation if no structural improvement has occurred. The county tax commissioner shall have the authority to adjust such tax bill to reflect the 100 percent value as requested by the taxpayer. Such tax bill shall be accompanied by a notice to the taxpayer that the bill is a temporary tax bill pending the outcome of the appeal process. Such notice shall also indicate that upon resolution of the appeal, there may be additional taxes due or a refund issued. ~~If the county's tax bills are issued before an arbitrator has rendered its decision on property which is on appeal, the county board of tax assessors shall specify to the county tax commissioner the higher of the taxpayer's return valuation or 85 percent of the current year's valuation as set by the county board of tax assessors. This amount shall be the basis for a temporary tax bill to be issued. Such tax bill shall be accompanied by a notice to the taxpayer that the bill is a temporary tax bill pending the outcome of the appeal process. Such notice shall also indicate that upon resolution of the appeal, there may be additional taxes due or a refund issued.~~

(B) For the purposes of this Code section, any final value that causes a reduction in taxes and creates a refund that is owed to the taxpayer shall be paid by the tax commissioner to the taxpayer, entity, or transferee who paid the taxes with interest, as provided in subsection (m) of this Code section.

(C) For the purposes of this Code section, any final value that causes an increase in taxes and creates an additional billing shall be paid to the tax commissioner as any other tax due along with interest, as provided in subsection (m) of this Code section.

(g) **Appeals to the superior court.**

(1) The taxpayer or the county board of tax assessors may appeal decisions of the county board of equalization or hearing officer, as applicable, to the superior court of the county in which the property lies. By mutual written agreement, the taxpayer and the county board of tax assessors may waive an appeal to the county board of equalization and initiate an appeal under this subsection. A county board of tax assessors shall not appeal a decision of the county board of equalization or hearing officer, as applicable, changing an assessment by 20 percent or less unless the board of tax assessors gives the county governing authority a written notice of its intention

to appeal, and, within ten days of receipt of the notice, the county governing authority by majority vote does not prohibit the appeal. In the case of a joint city-county board of tax assessors, such notice shall be given to the city and county governing authorities, either of which may prohibit the appeal by majority vote within the allowed period of time.

(2) An appeal by the taxpayer as provided in paragraph (1) of this subsection shall be effected by e-mailing, if the county board of tax assessors has adopted a written policy consenting to electronic service, or by mailing to or filing with the county board of tax assessors a written notice of appeal. An appeal by the county board of tax assessors shall be effected by giving notice to the taxpayer. The notice to the taxpayer shall be dated and shall contain the name and the last known address of the taxpayer. The notice of appeal shall specifically state the grounds for appeal. The notice shall be mailed or filed within 30 days from the date on which the decision of the county board of equalization or hearing officer is ~~mailed~~ delivered pursuant to subparagraph (e)(6)(D) or paragraph (6) of subsection (e.1) of this Code section. Within 45 days of receipt of a taxpayer's notice of appeal, the county board of tax assessors shall send to the taxpayer notice that a settlement conference, in which the county board of assessors and the taxpayer shall confer in good faith, will be held at a specified date and time which shall be no later than 30 days from the notice of the settlement conference, and notice of the amount of the filing fee, if any, required by the clerk of the superior court. The taxpayer may exercise a one-time option to reschedule the settlement conference to a different date and time acceptable to the taxpayer, but in no event later than 30 days from the date of the notice. If at the end of the 45 day review period the county board of tax assessors elects not to hold a settlement conference, then the appeal shall terminate and the taxpayer's stated value shall be entered in the records of the board of tax assessors as the fair market value for the year under appeal. If the appellant chooses not to participate in the settlement conference, he or she may not seek and shall not be awarded fees and costs at such time when the appeal is settled in superior court. If at the conclusion of the settlement conference the parties cannot agree on a fair market value, then written notice shall be provided to the taxpayer that the filing fees must be paid by the taxpayer to the clerk of the superior court within ten days of the date of the conference, with a copy of the check delivered to the county board of tax assessors. Notwithstanding any other provision of law to the contrary, the amount of the filing fee for an appeal under this subsection shall be $25.00. Upon receipt of proof of payment to the clerk of the superior court, the ~~The~~ county board of tax assessors shall certify to the clerk of the superior court the notice of appeal and any other papers specified by the person appealing including, but not limited to, the staff information from the file used by the county board of tax assessors, the county board of equalization, or the hearing officer. All papers and information certified to the clerk shall become a part of the record on appeal to the superior court. At the time of certification of the appeal, the county board of tax assessors shall serve the taxpayer and his or her attorney of record, if any, with a copy of the notice of appeal and with the civil action file number assigned to

the appeal. Such service shall be effected in accordance with subsection (b) of Code Section 9-11-5. No discovery, motions, or other pleadings may be filed by the county board of tax assessors in the appeal until such service has been made.

(3) The appeal shall constitute a de novo action. The board of tax assessors shall have the burden of proving its opinions of value and the validity of its proposed assessment by a preponderance of evidence. Upon a failure of the board of tax assessors to meet such burden of proof, the court may, upon motion or sua sponte, authorize the finding that the value asserted by the taxpayer is unreasonable and authorize the determination of the final value of the property.

(4)(A) The appeal shall be placed on the court's next available jury or bench trial calendar, at the taxpayer's election, following the filing of the appeal unless continued by the court ~~upon a showing of good cause~~. If only questions of law are presented in the appeal, the appeal shall be heard as soon as practicable before the court sitting without a jury. Each hearing before the court sitting without a jury at the taxpayer's election shall be held within 30 days following the date on which the appeal is filed with the clerk of the superior court. ~~The time of any hearing shall be set in consultation with the taxpayer and at a time acceptable to the taxpayer between the hours of 8:00 A.M. and 7:00 P.M. on a business day.~~

(B)(i) The county board of tax assessors shall use the valuation of the county board of equalization or the hearing officer, as applicable, in compiling the tax digest for the county.

(ii)(I) If the final determination of value on appeal is less than the valuation ~~set by the county board of equalization or hearing officer, as applicable, the taxpayer shall receive a deduction in such~~ thus used, the tax commissioner shall be authorized to adjust the taxpayer's ~~taxes~~ tax bill to reflect the final value for the year in question. ~~Such deduction shall be refunded to the taxpayer and shall include interest on the amount of such deduction at the same rate as specified in Code Section 48-2-35 which shall accrue from November 15 of the taxable year in question or the date the final installment of the tax was due or was paid, whichever is later. In no event shall the amount of such interest exceed $150.00.~~

(II) If the final determination of value on appeal causes a reduction in taxes and creates a refund that is owed to the taxpayer, it shall be paid by the tax commissioner to the taxpayer, entity, or transferee who paid the taxes with interest, as provided in subsection (m) of this Code section.

~~(ii)~~(III) If the final determination of value on appeal is ~~80~~ 85 percent or less of the valuation set by the county board of equalization or hearing officer as to ~~commercial~~ any real property, ~~or 85 percent or less of the valuation set by the county board of tax assessors as to other property,~~ the taxpayer, in addition to the interest provided for by this paragraph, shall recover costs of litigation and reasonable attorney's fees incurred in the action. Any appeal of an award of attorney's fees by the county shall be specifically approved by the governing authority of the county.

(iii) If the final determination of value on appeal is greater than the valuation set by the county board of equalization or hearing officer, as applicable, ~~the taxpayer shall be liable for the increase in taxes for the year in question due to the increased valuation fixed on appeal with interest at the same rate as specified in Code Section 48-2-35. Such interest shall accrue from November 15 of the taxable year in question or the date the final installment of tax was due to the date the additional taxes are remitted, but in no event shall the amount of such interest exceed $150.00~~ and causes an increase in taxes and creates an additional billing, it shall be paid to the tax commissioner as any other tax due along with interest, as provided in subsection (m) of this Code section.

(h) **Recording of interviews.**

In the course of any assessment, appeal, or arbitration, or any related proceeding, the taxpayer shall be entitled to make recordings of any interview with any officer or employee of the taxing authority relating to the valuation of the taxpayer's property subject to such assessment, appeal, arbitration, or related proceeding, at the taxpayer's expense and with equipment provided by the taxpayer, and no such officer or employee may refuse to participate in an interview relating to such valuation for reason of the taxpayer's choice to record such interview.

(i) **Alternate members of boards of equalization.**

Alternate members of the county board of equalization in the order in which selected shall serve:

(1) As members of the county board of equalization in the event there is a permanent vacancy on the board created by the death, ineligibility, removal from the county, or incapacitating illness of a member or by any other circumstances. An alternate member who fills a permanent vacancy shall be considered a member of the board for the remainder of the unexpired term;

(2) In any appeal with respect to which a member of the board is disqualified and shall be considered a member of the board; or

(3) In any appeal at a regularly scheduled or called meeting in the absence of a member and shall be considered a member of the board.

(j) **Disqualification.**

(1) No member of the county board of equalization and no hearing officer shall serve with respect to any appeal concerning which he or she would be subject to a challenge for cause if he or she were a member of a panel of jurors in a civil case involving the same subject matter.

(2) The parties to an appeal to the county board of equalization or to a hearing officer shall file in writing with the appeal, in the case of the person appealing, or, in the case of the county board of tax assessors, with the certificate transmitting the appeal, questions relating to the disqualification of members of the county board of equalization or hearing officer. Each question shall be phrased so that it can be answered by an affirmative or negative response. The members of the county board of equalization or hearing officer shall, in writing under oath within two days of their receipt of the appeal, answer the questions and any question which may be adopted

pursuant to subparagraph (e)(1)(D) of this Code section. Answers of the county board of equalization or hearing officers shall be part of the decision of the board or hearing officer and shall be served on each party by first-class mail. Determination of disqualification shall be made by the judge of the superior court upon the request of any party when the request is made within two days of the response of the board or hearing officer to the questions. The time prescribed under subparagraph (e)(6)(A) of this Code section shall be tolled pending the determination by the judge of the superior court.

(3) It shall be the duty of the clerk of the superior court to make a thorough and complete investigation of any complaint filed with respect to the actions of any member of a county board of equalization regarding technical competency, compliance with state law and regulations based upon advice from the county attorney, or rude or unprofessional conduct or behavior towards any member of the public. The clerk of the superior court shall issue a written report of investigation findings, which shall include such evaluations, judgments, and recommendations as the clerk of the superior court deems appropriate, and shall forward such report to the grand jury. The findings of the report may be grounds for removal of a member of the board of equalization by the grand jury for failure to perform the duties required under this Code section.

(k) **Compensation of board of equalization members.**

Each member of the county board of equalization shall be compensated by the county per diem for time expended in considering appeals. The compensation shall be paid at a rate of not less than $25.00 per day and shall be determined by the county governing authority. The attendance at required approved appraisal courses shall be part of the official duties of a member of the board, and he or she shall be paid for each day in attendance at such courses and shall be allowed reasonable expenses necessarily incurred in connection with such courses. Compensation pursuant to this subsection shall be paid from the county treasury upon certification by the member of the days expended in consideration of appeals.

(l) **Military service.** In the event of the absence of an individual from such individual's residence because of duty in the armed forces, the filing requirements set forth in paragraph (3) of subsection (f) of this Code section shall be tolled for a period of 90 days. During this period, any member of the immediate family of the individual, or a friend of the individual, may notify the tax receiver or the tax commissioner of the individual's absence due to military service and submit written notice of representation for the limited purpose of the appeal. Upon receipt of this notice, the tax receiver or the tax commissioner shall initiate the appeal.

(m) ~~**Refunds**~~ **Interest.**

~~In the event a refund is owed to the taxpayer, such refund shall be paid to the taxpayer within 60 days of the last date upon which an appeal may be filed, or the date the final determination of value is established on appeal, whichever is later. Any refund paid after the sixtieth day shall accrue interest from the sixtieth day until paid with interest at the same rate as specified in Code Section 48-2-35.~~

(1) For the purposes of this Code section, any final value that causes a reduction in taxes and creates a refund that is owed to the taxpayer shall be paid by the tax commissioner to the taxpayer, entity, or transferee who paid the taxes within 60 days from the date of the final determination of value. Such refund shall include interest on the amount of the deduction at the same rate specified in Code Section 48-2-35 which shall accrue from November 15 of the taxable year in question or the date the final installment was due or was paid, whichever is later, through the date on which the refund is paid or 60 days from the date of the final determination, whichever is earlier. In no event shall the amount of such interest exceed $150.00 for homestead property or $5,000.00 for nonhomestead property. Any refund paid after the sixtieth day shall accrue interest from the sixty-first day until paid with interest at the same rate specified in Code Section 48-2-35. The interest accrued after the sixtieth day and forward shall not be subject to the limits imposed by this subsection. The tax commissioner shall pay the tax refund and any interest for the refund from current collections in the same proportion for each of the levying authorities for whom the taxes were collected.

(2) For the purposes of this Code section, any final value that causes an increase in taxes and creates an additional billing shall be paid to the tax commissioner as any other tax due along with interest, as specified in Code Section 48-2-35. The tax commissioner shall adjust the tax bill, including interest, within 15 days from the date of the final determination of value and mail the adjusted bill to the taxpayer. Such interest shall accrue from November 15 of the taxable year in question or the final installment of the tax was due through the date on which the bill was adjusted and mailed or 15 days from the date of the final determination, whichever is earlier. The interest computed on the additional billing shall in no event exceed $150.00 for homestead property or $5,000.00 for nonhomestead property. After the tax bill notice has been mailed out, the taxpayer shall be afforded 60 days from the date of the postmark to make full payment of the adjusted bill and interest. Once the 60 day payment period has expired, the bill shall be considered past due and interest shall accrue as specified in Code Section 48-2-40 without limit until the bill is paid in full. Once past due, all other fees, penalties, and late and collection notices shall apply as prescribed in this chapter for the collection of delinquent taxes.

(n) **Service of notice.**

A notice of appeal to a board of tax assessors under subsection (e), (e.1), (f), or (g) of this Code section shall be deemed filed as of the date of the United States Postal Service postmark, receipt of delivery by statutory overnight delivery, or, if the board of tax assessors has adopted a written policy consenting to electronic service, by transmitting a copy to the board of tax assessors via e-mail in portable document format using all e-mail addresses provided by the board of tax assessors and showing in the subject line of the e-mail message the words 'STATUTORY ELECTRONIC SERVICE' in capital letters. Service by mail, statutory overnight delivery, or electronic transmittal is complete upon such service. Proof of service may be made within 45 days of receipt of the annual notice of current assessment under Code Section 48-5-306 to the taxpayer

by certificate of the taxpayer, the taxpayer's attorney, or the taxpayer's employee by written admission or by affidavit. Failure to make proof of service shall not affect the validity of service.

(o) When a taxpayer authorizes an attorney in writing to act on the taxpayer's behalf, all notices required to be provided to the taxpayer regarding hearing times, dates, certifications, or official actions shall instead be provided to such attorney."

SECTION 10.

Said title is further amended in Code Section 48-5-345, relating to county tax digests and deviations from certain assessment ratio, by adding a new subsection to read as follows:

"(c) Beginning with tax digests on or after the effective date of this subsection, no county shall be subject to the assessment authorized by subparagraph (b) of this Code section."

SECTION 11.

Said title is further amended by revising subsection (a) of Code Section 48-5-405, relating to the levy and collection of tax by municipalities for independent school systems, as follows:

"(a) Each municipality authorized by law to maintain an independent school system may support and maintain the public common schools within the independent school system by levy of ad valorem taxes at the rate fixed by law upon all taxable property within the limits of the ~~municipality~~ independent school system. The board of education of the municipality or other authority charged with the duty of operating the independent school system shall annually recommend to the governing authority of the municipality the rate of the tax levy, within the limitations fixed by law, to be made upon all taxable property within the limits of the ~~municipality~~ independent school system. Taxes levied and collected for support and maintenance of the independent school system by the municipal governing authority shall be appropriated, when collected, by the governing authority to the board of education or other authority charged with the duty of operating the independent school system. Funds appropriated to an independent school system shall be expended by the board of education or other authority charged with the duty of operating the independent school system only for educational purposes including, but not limited to, school lunch purposes. The term 'school lunch purposes' shall include payment of costs and expenses incurred in the purchase of school lunchroom supplies; the purchase, replacement, or maintenance of school lunchroom equipment; the transportation, storage, and preparation of foods; and all current operating expenses incurred in the management and operation of school lunch programs in the public common schools of the independent school system. 'School lunch purposes' shall not include the purchase of foods."

SECTION 12.

Said title is further amended by revising Code Section 48-5-492, relating to issuance of mobile home location permits, as follows:

"48-5-492.

(a) Each year every owner of a mobile home subject to taxation under this article shall obtain on or before ~~May~~ April 1 from the tax collector or tax commissioner of the county of taxation of the mobile home a mobile home location permit. The issuance of the permit by the tax collector or tax commissioner shall be evidenced by the issuance of a decal, the color of which shall be prescribed for each year by the commissioner. Each decal shall reflect the county of issuance and the calendar year for which the permit is issued. The decal shall be prominently attached and displayed on the mobile home by the owner.

(b) Except as provided for mobile homes owned by a dealer, no mobile home location permit shall be issued by the tax collector or tax commissioner until all ad valorem taxes due on the mobile home have been paid. Each year every owner of a mobile home situated in this state on January 1 which is not subject to taxation under this article shall obtain on or before ~~May~~ April 1 from the tax collector or tax commissioner of the county where the mobile home is situated a mobile home location permit. The issuance of the permit shall be evidenced by the issuance of a decal which shall reflect the county of issuance and the calendar year for which the permit is issued. The decal shall be prominently attached and displayed on the mobile home by the owner."

SECTION 13.

Said title is further amended in Code Section 48-5-493, relating to penalties for failure to attach and display certain decals, by revising paragraph (2) of subsection (a) as follows:

"(2) Any person who violates paragraph (1) of this subsection shall be guilty of a misdemeanor and, upon conviction thereof, shall be punished by a fine of not less than ~~$25.00~~ $100.00 nor more than ~~$200.00~~ $300.00, except that upon receipt of proof of purchase of a decal prior to the date of the issuance of a summons, the fine shall be ~~$25.00~~ $50.00; provided, however, that in the event such person owns more than one mobile home in an individual mobile home park, then the maximum fine under this paragraph for that person with respect to such mobile home park shall not exceed $1,000.00."

SECTION 14.

Said title is further amended by revising Code Section 48-5-494, relating to mobile home tax returns and decal application and issuance, as follows:

"48-5-494.

Each year every owner of a mobile home subject to taxation under this article shall return the mobile home for taxation and shall pay the taxes due on the mobile home at the time the owner applies for the mobile home location permit, or at the time of the first sale or transfer of the mobile home after December 31, or on ~~May~~ April 1, whichever occurs first. If the owner returns such owner's mobile home for taxation prior to the date that the application for the mobile home location permit is required, such owner shall apply for the permit at the time such owner returns the mobile home for taxation."

SECTION 15.

Said title is further amended in Code Section 48-6-2, relating to real estate transfer tax exemptions, by revising subsection (b) as follows:

"(b) In order to exercise any exemption provided in this Code section, the total consideration of the transfer ~~shall be shown~~ for real and personal property conveyed shall be shown on the form prescribed in subsection (c) of Code Section 48-6-4."

SECTION 16.

Said title is further amended in Code Section 48-6-4, relating to real estate transfer tax payment as certain filing prerequisites, by revising subsections (a), (b), and (c) as follows:

"(a) It is the intent of the General Assembly that the tax imposed by this article be paid to the clerk of the superior court or his or her deputy, and that the actual consideration of real and personal property conveyed shall be shown separately on the form prescribed in subsection (c) of this Code section, prior to and as a prerequisite to the filing for record of any deed, instrument, or other writing described in Code Section 48-6-1.

(b) No deed, instrument, or other writing described in Code Section 48-6-1 shall be filed for record or recorded in the office of the clerk of the superior court or filed for record or recorded in or on any other official record of this state or of any county until the tax imposed by this article has been paid and until the actual consideration of real and personal property conveyed has been shown separately on the form prescribed in subsection (c) of this Code section; provided, however, that any such deed, instrument, or other writing filed or recorded which would otherwise constitute constructive notice shall constitute such notice whether or not such tax was in fact paid.

(c) The amount of tax to be paid on a deed, instrument, or other writing shall be determined on the basis of written disclosure of the actual consideration ~~or value~~ of the interest in the property granted, assigned, transferred, or otherwise conveyed. The disclosure of the amount of tax and the actual consideration shall be made on a form or in electronic format prescribed by the commissioner and provided by the clerk of the superior court. By the fifteenth day of the month following the month the deed, instrument, or other writing is recorded, a physical or electronic copy of each disclosure shall be forwarded or made available electronically to the state auditor and to the tax commissioner and the board of tax assessors in the county where the deed, instrument, or other writing is recorded."

SECTION 17.

(a) Section 11, this section, and Section 18 of this Act shall become effective upon its approval by the Governor or upon its becoming law without such approval.

(b) Section 10 of this Act shall become effective on January 1, 2016.

(c) The remaining sections of this Act shall become effective on January 1, 2015.

SECTION 18.
All laws and parts of laws in conflict with this Act are repealed.

Representative Battles of the 15th moved that the House disagree to the Senate substitute to HB 295.

The motion prevailed.

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

Mr. Speaker:

The Senate has agreed to the House substitute to the following bill of the Senate:

SB 98. By Senators Hill of the 32nd, Gooch of the 51st, Miller of the 49th, Heath of the 31st, Ligon, Jr. of the 3rd and others:

A BILL to be entitled an Act to provide a short title; to amend Article 1 of Chapter 24 of Title 33 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to insurance generally, so as to provide a definition; to opt out of funding certain abortions through certain qualified health plans; to provide for certain exceptions; to provide for a right of intervention in certain lawsuits; to provide an effective date; to repeal conflicting laws; and for other purposes.

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

HB 837. By Representatives Hamilton of the 24th, Powell of the 32nd, Golick of the 40th, Maxwell of the 17th, Powell of the 171st and others:

A BILL to be entitled an Act to amend Article 6 of Chapter 8 of Title 42 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to agreements for probation services, so as to provide for legislative findings and intent; to provide for the supervision of misdemeanor and county and city ordinance offenders by county and municipal probation officers and private probation services providers; to provide for the revocation, modification, and tolling of sentences under certain circumstances by county and municipal courts; to provide for the conditions of probation; to provide for the assessment and collection of costs of probation; to provide for related matters; to provide for an effective date; to repeal conflicting laws; and for other purposes.

The following Bill of the House was taken up for the purpose of considering the Senate action thereon:

HB 965. By Representatives Cooper of the 43rd, Oliver of the 82nd, Rutledge of the 109th, Watson of the 166th, Broadrick of the 4th and others:

A BILL to be entitled an Act to amend Article 1 of Chapter 13 of Title 16 of the O.C.G.A., relating to general provisions relative to controlled substances, so as to provide immunities from certain arrests, charges, or prosecutions for persons seeking medical assistance for a drug overdose; to amend Code Section 3-3-23 of the O.C.G.A., relating to furnishing to, purchase of, or possession by persons under 21 years of age of alcoholic beverages; to provide for related matters; to provide an effective date; to provide for applicability; to repeal conflicting laws; and for other purposes.

The following Senate substitute was read:

A BILL TO BE ENTITLED
AN ACT

To amend Article 1 of Chapter 13 of Title 16 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to general provisions relative to controlled substances, so as to provide immunities from certain arrests, charges, or prosecutions for persons seeking medical assistance for a drug overdose; to provide for a short title; to provide for legislative findings; to amend Article 6 of Chapter 4 of Title 26 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to pharmacies, so as to authorize licensed health practitioners to prescribe opioid antagonists to certain individuals and entities pursuant to a protocol; to provide for legislative findings; to amend Chapter 11 of Title 31 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to emergency medical services, so as to authorize emergency medical services personnel to administer opioid antagonists; to authorize first responders to maintain and administer opioid antagonists; to amend Code Section 3-3-23 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to furnishing to, purchase of, or possession by persons under 21 years of age of alcoholic beverages, use of false identification, proper identification, dispensing, serving, selling, or handling by persons under 21 years of age in the course of employment, and seller's actions upon receiving false identification, so as to provide immunities from certain arrests, charges, or prosecutions for persons seeking medical assistance for an alcohol related overdose; to provide for related matters; to provide an effective date; to provide for applicability; to repeal conflicting laws; and for other purposes.

BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF GEORGIA:

PART I

SECTION 1-1.

This part shall be known and may be cited as the "Georgia 9-1-1 Medical Amnesty Law."

SECTION 1-2.

WHEREAS, according to the Atlanta Journal Constitution ("AJC"), more than 600,000 Americans used heroin in 2012, which is nearly double the number from five years earlier according to health officials; and

WHEREAS, the AJC article states that "[t]he striking thing about heroin's most recent incarnation is that a drug that was once largely confined to major cities is spreading into suburban and rural towns across America, where it is used predominantly by young adults between the ages of 18 and 29"; and

WHEREAS, the Drug Enforcement Agency has noted that the "skyrocketing" increase in the availability of cheap heroin is a direct reaction by cartels to legislative efforts to regulate and restrict access to opiate prescription painkillers; and

WHEREAS, Stephen Cardiges of Lawrenceville died of an accidental heroin overdose; and

WHEREAS, Randall Brannen of McDonough died of an accidental overdose; and

WHEREAS, Stephen and Randall are a part of a growing trend of drug overdose victims in Georgia; and

WHEREAS, those who were with them did not call 9-1-1 to seek medical assistance, which could have saved their lives, because of a fear of prosecution for the possession and use of illegal drugs; and

WHEREAS, Overdose Reporting/Medical Amnesty legislation, or "9-1-1 Good Samaritan Laws," have been passed in 14 states, including Florida and North Carolina, and is under consideration in several more; and

WHEREAS, in North Carolina, it is believed that at least 20 lives have been saved since passage last year of similar legislation, and in Massachusetts it is believed that more than 120 lives have been saved since passage of similar legislation in that state in 2012; and

WHEREAS, overdose deaths result from a variety of substances, including prescription painkillers, heroin, methamphetamine, designer drugs, and alcohol.

SECTION 1-3.

Article 1 of Chapter 13 of Title 16 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to general provisions relative to controlled substances, is amended by adding a new Code section to read as follows:

"16-13-5.

(a) As used in this Code section, the term:

(1) 'Drug overdose' means an acute condition, including, but not limited to, extreme physical illness, decreased level of consciousness, respiratory depression, coma, mania, or death, resulting from the consumption or use of a controlled substance or dangerous drug by the distressed individual in violation of this chapter or that a reasonable person would believe to be resulting from the consumption or use of a controlled substance or dangerous drug by the distressed individual.

(2) 'Drug violation' means:

(A) A violation of subsection (a) of Code Section 16-13-30 for possession of a controlled substance if the aggregate weight, including any mixture, is less than four grams of a solid substance, less than one milliliter of liquid substance, or if the substance is placed onto a secondary medium with a combined weight of less than four grams;

(B) A violation of paragraph (1) of subsection (j) of Code Section 16-13-30 for possession of less than one ounce of marijuana; or

(C) A violation of Code Section 16-13-32.2, relating to possession and use of drug related objects.

(3) 'Medical assistance' means aid provided to a person by a health care professional licensed, registered, or certified under the laws of this state who, acting within his or her lawful scope of practice, may provide diagnosis, treatment, or emergency medical services.

(4) 'Seeks medical assistance' means accesses or assists in accessing the 9-1-1 system or otherwise contacts or assists in contacting law enforcement or a poison control center and provides care to a person while awaiting the arrival of medical assistance to aid such person.

(b) Any person who in good faith seeks medical assistance for a person experiencing or believed to be experiencing a drug overdose shall not be arrested, charged, or prosecuted for a drug violation if the evidence for the arrest, charge, or prosecution of such drug violation resulted solely from seeking such medical assistance. Any person who is experiencing a drug overdose and, in good faith, seeks medical assistance for himself or herself or is the subject of such a request shall not be arrested, charged, or prosecuted for a drug violation if the evidence for the arrest, charge, or prosecution of such drug violation resulted solely from seeking such medical assistance. Any such person shall also not be subject to, if related to the seeking of such medical assistance:

(1) Penalties for a violation of a permanent or temporary protective order or restraining order; or

(2) Sanctions for a violation of a condition of pretrial release, condition of probation, or condition of parole based on a drug violation.

(c) Nothing in this Code section shall be construed to limit the admissibility of any evidence in connection with the investigation or prosecution of a crime with regard to a defendant who does not qualify for the protections of subsection (b) of this Code section or with regard to other crimes committed by a person who otherwise qualifies for protection pursuant to subsection (b) of this Code section. Nothing in this Code section shall be construed to limit any seizure of evidence or contraband otherwise permitted by law. Nothing in this Code section shall be construed to limit or abridge the authority of a law enforcement officer to detain or take into custody a person in the course of an investigation or to effectuate an arrest for any offense except as provided in subsection (b) of this Code section."

PART II

SECTION 2-1.

WHEREAS, Naloxone is an opioid antagonist developed to counter the effects of opiate overdose, specifically the life-threatening depression of the central nervous and respiratory systems; and

WHEREAS, Naloxone is clinically administered via intramuscular, intravenous, or subcutaneous injection; and

WHEREAS, Naloxone is administered outside of a clinical setting or facility intranasally via nasal atomizer; and

WHEREAS, the American Medical Association supported the lay administration of this life-saving drug in 2012; and

WHEREAS, similar Naloxone access laws have reversed more than 10,000 opioid overdoses by lay people in other states; and

WHEREAS, the American Medical Association acknowledged that "fatalities caused by opioid overdose can devastate families and communities, and we must do more to prevent these unnecessary deaths"; and

WHEREAS, the National Institutes of Health found that Naloxone "lacks any psychoactive or addictive qualities ... without any potential for abuse...[and] medical side-effects or other problematic unintended consequences associated with Naloxone have not been reported"; and

WHEREAS, any administration of Naloxone to an individual experiencing an opioid overdose must be followed by professional medical attention and treatment.

SECTION 2-2.

Article 6 of Chapter 4 of Title 26 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to pharmacies, is amended by adding a new Code section to read as follows:

"26-4-116.2.

(a) As used in this Code section, the term:

(1) 'First responder' means any person or agency who provides on-site care until the arrival of a duly licensed ambulance service. This shall include, but not be limited to, persons who routinely respond to calls for assistance through an affiliation with law enforcement agencies, fire departments, and rescue agencies.

(2) 'Harm reduction organization' means an organization which provides direct assistance and services, such as syringe exchanges, counseling, homeless services, advocacy, drug treatment, and screening, to individuals at risk of experiencing an opioid related overdose.

(3) 'Opioid antagonist' means any drug that binds to opioid receptors and blocks or inhibits the effects of opioids acting on those receptors and that is approved by the federal Food and Drug Administration for the treatment of an opioid related overdose.

(4) 'Opioid related overdose' means an acute condition, including, but not limited to, extreme physical illness, decreased level of consciousness, respiratory depression, coma, mania, or death, resulting from the consumption or use of an opioid or another substance with which an opioid was combined or that a layperson would reasonably believe to be resulting from the consumption or use of an opioid or another substance with which an opioid was combined for which medical assistance is required.

(5) 'Pain management clinic' means a clinic licensed pursuant to Article 10 of Chapter 34 of Title 43.

(6) 'Practitioner' means a physician licensed to practice medicine in this state.

(b) A practitioner acting in good faith and in compliance with the standard of care applicable to that practitioner may prescribe an opioid antagonist for use in accordance with a protocol specified by such practitioner to a person at risk of experiencing an opioid related overdose or to a pain management clinic, first responder, harm reduction organization, family member, friend, or other person in a position to assist a person at risk of experiencing an opioid related overdose.

(c) A pharmacist acting in good faith and in compliance with the standard of care applicable to pharmacists may dispense opioid antagonists pursuant to a prescription issued in accordance with subsection (b) of this Code section.

(d) A person acting in good faith and with reasonable care to another person whom he or she believes to be experiencing an opioid related overdose may administer an opioid antagonist that was prescribed pursuant to subsection (b) of this Code section in accordance with the protocol specified by the practitioner.

(e) The following individuals are immune from any civil or criminal liability or professional licensing sanctions for the following actions authorized by this Code section:

(1) Any practitioner acting in good faith and in compliance with the standard of care applicable to that practitioner who prescribes an opioid antagonist pursuant to subsection (b) of this Code section;

(2) Any practitioner or pharmacist acting in good faith and in compliance with the standard of care applicable to that practitioner or pharmacist who dispenses an opioid antagonist pursuant to a prescription issued in accordance with subsection (b) of this Code section; and

(3) Any person acting in good faith, other than a practitioner, who administers an opioid antagonist pursuant to subsection (d) of this Code section."

SECTION 2-3.

Chapter 11 of Title 31 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to emergency medical services, is amended in Code Section 31-11-53, relating to services which may be rendered by certified emergency medical technicians and trainees, by revising subsection (a) as follows:

"(a) Upon certification by the department, emergency medical technicians may do any of the following:

(1) Render first-aid and resuscitation services as taught in the United States Department of Transportation basic training courses for emergency medical technicians or an equivalent course approved by the department; and

(2) Upon the order of a duly licensed physician, administer approved intravenous solutions and opioid antagonists."

SECTION 2-4.

Said chapter is further amended in Code Section 31-11-54, relating to services which may be rendered by paramedics and paramedic trainees, by revising subsection (a) as follows:

"(a) Upon certification by the department, paramedics may perform any service that a cardiac technician is permitted to perform. In addition, upon the order of a duly licensed physician and subject to the conditions set forth in paragraph (2) of subsection (a) of Code Section 31-11-55, paramedics may perform any other procedures which they have been both trained and certified to perform, including, but not limited to:

(1) Administration of parenteral injections of diuretics, anticonvulsants, hypertonic glucose, antihistamines, bronchodilators, emetics, narcotic antagonists, and others, and administration of opioid antagonists;

(2) Cardioversion; and

(3) ~~Gastric suction by intubation~~ Endotracheal suction."

SECTION 2-5.

Said chapter is further amended in Code Section 31-11-55, relating to services which may be rendered by certified cardiac technicians and trainees, by revising subsection (a) as follows:

"(a) Upon certification by the department, cardiac technicians may do any of the following:

(1) Render first-aid and resuscitation services;

(2) Upon the order of a duly licensed physician and as recommended by the Georgia Emergency ~~Health~~ Medical Services Advisory Council and approved by the department:

(A) Perform cardiopulmonary resuscitation and defibrillation in a ~~pulseless, nonbreathing~~ hemodynamically unstable patient;

(B) Administer approved intravenous solutions;

(C) Administer parenteral injections of antiarrhythmic agents, vagolytic agents, chronotropic agents, alkalizing agents, analgesic agents, and vasopressor agents or administer opioid antagonists; and

(D) Perform pulmonary ventilation by esophageal airway and endotracheal intubation."

SECTION 2-6.

Said chapter is further amended in Article 3, relating to emergency medical services personnel, by adding a new Code section to read as follows:

"31-11-55.1.

(a) As used in this Code section, the term:

(1) 'First responder' means any person or agency who provides on-site care until the arrival of a duly licensed ambulance service. This shall include, but not be limited to, persons who routinely respond to calls for assistance through an affiliation with law enforcement agencies, fire departments, and rescue agencies.

(2) 'Opioid antagonist' means any drug that binds to opioid receptors and blocks or inhibits the effects of opioids acting on those receptors and that is approved by the federal Food and Drug Administration for the treatment of an opioid related overdose.

(3) 'Opioid related overdose' means an acute condition, including, but not limited to, extreme physical illness, decreased level of consciousness, respiratory depression, coma, mania, or death, resulting from the consumption or use of an opioid or another substance with which an opioid was combined or that a layperson would reasonably believe to be resulting from the consumption or use of an opioid or another substance with which an opioid was combined.

(b) An opioid antagonist may be administered or provided by any first responder for the purpose of saving the life of a person experiencing an opioid related overdose. In order to ensure public health and safety:

(1) All first responders who have access to or maintain an opioid antagonist obtain appropriate training as set forth in the rules and regulations of the Department of Public Health;

(2) All law enforcement agencies, fire departments, rescue agencies, and other similar entities shall notify the appropriate emergency medical services system of the possession and maintenance of opioid antagonists by its personnel; and

(3) Within a reasonable period of time, all first responders who administer or provide an opioid antagonist shall make available a printed or electronically stored report to the licensed ambulance service which transports the patient.

(c) A pharmacy licensed in this state may issue opioid antagonists to first responders for use pursuant to this Code section in the same manner and subject to the same requirements as provided in Code Section 26-4-116.

(d) Any first responder who gratuitously and in good faith renders emergency care or treatment by administering or providing an opioid antagonist shall not be held liable for any civil damages as a result of such care or treatment or as a result of any act or failure to act in providing or arranging further medical treatment where the person acts without gross negligence or intent to harm or as an ordinary reasonably prudent person would have acted under the same or similar circumstances, even if such individual does so without benefit of the appropriate training. This subsection includes paid persons who extend care or treatment without expectation of remuneration from the patient or victim for receiving the opioid antagonist."

PART IIA

SECTION 2A-1.

Code Section 3-3-23 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to furnishing to, purchase of, or possession by persons under 21 years of age of alcoholic beverages, use of false identification, proper identification, dispensing, serving, selling, or handling by persons under 21 years of age in the course of employment, and seller's actions upon receiving false identification, is amended by adding a new subsection to read as follows:

"(j)(1) As used in this subsection, the term:

(A) 'Alcohol related overdose' means an acute condition, including, but not limited to, extreme physical illness, decreased level of consciousness, respiratory depression, coma, mania, or death, resulting from the consumption or use of alcohol or that a layperson would reasonably believe to be resulting from the consumption or use of alcohol for which medical assistance is required.

(B) 'Medical assistance' means aid provided to a person believed to be experiencing an alcohol related overdose by a health care professional licensed, registered, or certified under the laws of this state who, acting within his or her lawful scope of practice, may provide diagnosis, treatment, or emergency services relative to such overdose.

(C) 'Seeks medical assistance' means accesses or assists in accessing the 9-1-1 system or otherwise contacts or assists in contacting law enforcement or a poison control center or provides care to a person experiencing or believed to be experiencing an alcohol related overdose while awaiting the arrival of medical assistance to aid such person.

(2) Any person who in good faith seeks medical assistance for someone who is experiencing an alcohol related overdose shall not be arrested, charged, or prosecuted for a violation of paragraphs (2) through (5) of subsection (a) of this Code section if the evidence for the arrest, charge, or prosecution of such violation resulted from seeking such medical assistance. Any person who is experiencing an alcohol related overdose and, in good faith, seeks medical assistance for himself or herself or is the

subject of such a request shall not be arrested, charged, or prosecuted for a violation of paragraphs (2) through (5) of subsection (a) of this Code section if the evidence for the arrest, charge, or prosecution of such violation resulted from seeking such medical assistance. Any such person shall also not be subject to:

(A) Penalties for a violation of a permanent or temporary protective order or restraining order; or

(B) Sanctions for a violation of a condition of pretrial release, condition of probation, or condition of parole based on a violation of paragraphs (2) through (5) of subsection (a) of this Code section.

(3) Nothing in this subsection shall be construed to limit the admissibility of any evidence in connection with the investigation or prosecution of a crime with regard to a defendant who does not qualify for the protections of paragraph (2) of this subsection or with regard to other crimes committed by a person who otherwise qualifies for protection pursuant to paragraph (2) of this subsection. Nothing in this subsection shall be construed to limit any seizure of evidence or contraband otherwise permitted by law. Nothing herein shall be construed to limit or abridge the authority of a law enforcement officer to detain or take into custody a person in the course of an investigation or to effectuate an arrest for any offense except as provided in paragraph (2) of this subsection."

PART III

SECTION 3-1.

(a) This Act shall become effective upon its approval by the Governor or upon its becoming law without such approval.

(b) Parts I and II of this Act shall apply to all acts committed on or after such effective date.

SECTION 3-2.

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

Two amendments by Representative Stephens of the 164th were withdrawn.

Representative Cooper of the 43rd moved that the House agree to the Senate substitute to HB 965.

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

Y Abrams	N Coomer	Y Gregory	Y McCall	Y Sims, C
Y Alexander	Y Cooper	E Hamilton	Y McClain	E Smith, E
N Allison	Y Dawkins-Haigler	Y Harbin	Y Meadows	Y Smith, L
Y Anderson	Y Deffenbaugh	Y Harden	E Mitchell	Y Smith, M
Y Atwood	Y Dempsey	Y Harrell	Y Moore	Y Smith, R
Y Ballinger	Y Dickerson	Y Hatchett	Y Morgan	Y Smyre
Y Barr	Y Dickey	Y Hawkins	N Morris	N Spencer
Y Battles	Y Dickson	Y Henson	Y Mosby	Y Stephens, M

Y Beasley-Teague	Y Dollar	N Hightower	Y Nimmer	Y Stephens, R
Y Bell	Y Douglas	Y Hitchens	N Nix	Y Stephenson
Y Bennett	Y Drenner	Y Holcomb	Y Oliver	Y Stovall
Y Bentley	N Dudgeon	Y Holmes	Y O'Neal	Y Stover
E Benton	Y Dukes	Y Holt	N Pak	Y Strickland
Y Beverly	N Dunahoo	Y Houston	Y Parrish	Y Talton
Y Black	E Duncan	Y Howard	Y Parsons	Y Tankersley
N Braddock	N Dutton	Y Hugley	Y Peake	Y Tanner
Y Broadrick	Y Efstration	Y Jackson	N Pezold	N Tarvin
N Brockway	Y Ehrhart	Y Jacobs	Y Powell, A	Y Taylor, D
Y Brooks	Y England	Y Jasperse	Y Powell, J	Y Taylor, T
Y Bruce	Y Epps, C	Y Jones, J	Y Prince	N Teasley
Y Bryant	Epps, J	N Jones, L	Y Pruett	Y Thomas, A.M.
Y Buckner	Y Evans	Y Jones, S	N Quick	Y Turner
Y Burns	N Fleming	Y Jordan	Y Ramsey	E Waites
N Caldwell, J	Y Floyd	Y Kaiser	Y Randall	Y Watson, B
Y Caldwell, M	Y Fludd	N Kelley	Y Rice	Y Watson, S
Y Carson	Y Frazier	Y Kendrick	Y Riley	E Welch
Y Carter	Y Frye	Kidd	Y Roberts	Y Weldon
Y Casas	Y Fullerton	Y Kirby	Y Rogers, C	Y Wilkerson
Y Chandler	Y Gardner	Y Knight	Y Rogers, T	Y Wilkinson
Y Channell	N Gasaway	Y Lindsey	Y Rutledge	Y Willard
N Chapman	Y Geisinger	Y Lumsden	Rynders	Y Williams, A
Y Cheokas	Y Glanton	Y Mabra	Y Scott	Y Williams, C
Y Clark, J	Y Golick	Y Marin	Y Setzler	Y Williams, E
Y Clark, V	Y Gordon	Y Martin	Y Sharper	Y Williamson
Y Coleman	Y Gravley	Y Maxwell	Y Shaw	Y Yates
N Cooke	Y Greene	Y Mayo	Y Sims, B	Ralston, Speaker

On the motion, the ayes were 146, nays 23.

The motion prevailed.

The Speaker announced the House in recess until 8:50 o'clock, this evening.

The Speaker called the House to order.

Representative Powell of the 32nd District, Chairman of the Committee on Public Safety and Homeland Security, submitted the following report:

Mr. Speaker:

Your Committee on Public Safety and Homeland Security has had under consideration the following Resolution of the House and has instructed me to report the same back to the House with the following recommendation:

HR 1805 Do Pass, by Substitute

Respectfully submitted,
/s/ Powell of the 32nd
Chairman

The following messages were received from the Senate through Mr. Cook, the Secretary thereof:

Mr. Speaker:

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

HB 990. By Representatives Jones of the 47th, Ralston of the 7th, O`Neal of the 146th, Nimmer of the 178th, Ramsey of the 72nd and others:

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 prohibit the expansion of Medicaid eligibility through an increase in the income threshold without prior legislative approval; to provide for legislative findings; to provide for related matters; to repeal conflicting laws; and for other purposes.

Mr. Speaker:

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

HB 348. By Representatives Parsons of the 44th, Sims of the 169th, Abrams of the 89th and Martin of the 49th:

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, computation, and exemptions regarding income tax, so as to provide a tax credit for purchasers of alternative fuel vehicles; to provide for definitions; to provide for procedures, conditions, and limitations; to provide for a cap on the amount of the tax credits; to provide for an effective date and applicability; to repeal conflicting laws; and for other purposes.

The following Resolutions of the House were read and adopted:

HR 1991. By Representatives Beasley-Teague of the 65th, Glanton of the 75th, Anderson of the 92nd and Brooks of the 55th:

A RESOLUTION honoring the life and memory of Sherry Rochelle Hopkins; and for other purposes.

HR 1992. By Representatives Beasley-Teague of the 65th, Glanton of the 75th, Anderson of the 92nd and Brooks of the 55th:

A RESOLUTION recognizing and commending the Honorable Order of Kentucky Colonels; and for other purposes.

HR 1993. By Representatives Beasley-Teague of the 65th, Glanton of the 75th, Brooks of the 55th and Anderson of the 92nd:

A RESOLUTION honoring the life and memory of George "Duke" Beasley; and for other purposes.

HR 1994. By Representatives Beasley-Teague of the 65th, Glanton of the 75th, Anderson of the 92nd and Brooks of the 55th:

A RESOLUTION recognizing and commending Jimmie "MeMa" Luton; and for other purposes.

HR 1995. By Representatives Glanton of the 75th and Douglas of the 78th:

A RESOLUTION recognizing and commending the Jonesboro High School mock trial team; and for other purposes.

HR 1996. By Representatives Clark of the 98th, Dunahoo of the 30th, Teasley of the 37th, Barr of the 103rd, Duncan of the 26th and others:

A RESOLUTION commending Truett Cathy; and for other purposes.

HR 1997. By Representatives Beasley-Teague of the 65th, Glanton of the 75th, Anderson of the 92nd, Brooks of the 55th, Smyre of the 135th and others:

A RESOLUTION commending Grace Towns Hamilton and her work with the Urban League of Greater Atlanta; and for other purposes.

HR 1998. By Representatives Wilkerson of the 38th, Evans of the 42nd, Bruce of the 61st, Smith of the 41st and Sharper of the 177th:

A RESOLUTION recognizing and commending Mrs. Donna Smith on the occasion of her retirement; and for other purposes.

HR 1999. By Representatives Beasley-Teague of the 65th, Glanton of the 75th, Brooks of the 55th and Anderson of the 92nd:

A RESOLUTION congratulating Brookview Elementary School on its annual Career Day event; and for other purposes.

HR 2000. By Representatives Beasley-Teague of the 65th, Glanton of the 75th, Brooks of the 55th and Anderson of the 92nd:

A RESOLUTION honoring the life and memory of Ruth M. Lewis; and for other purposes.

HR 2001. By Representatives Wilkerson of the 38th, Smith of the 41st, Morgan of the 39th, Evans of the 42nd and Bruce of the 61st:

A RESOLUTION recognizing and commending the Osborne High School boys basketball team; and for other purposes.

HR 2002. By Representatives Wilkerson of the 38th, Smith of the 41st, Morgan of the 39th, Evans of the 42nd and Bruce of the 61st:

A RESOLUTION recognizing and commending the Osborne High School girls basketball team; and for other purposes.

HR 2003. By Representatives Beasley-Teague of the 65th, Glanton of the 75th, Brooks of the 55th and Anderson of the 92nd:

A RESOLUTION recognizing Pastors Douglas and Ingrid Thompson on the occasion of their 26th wedding anniversary; and for other purposes.

HR 2004. By Representatives Beasley-Teague of the 65th, Glanton of the 75th, Anderson of the 92nd and Brooks of the 55th:

A RESOLUTION honoring the life and memory of Reverend Dr. David "Sonny" Randolph Scott; and for other purposes.

By unanimous consent, the following Bills and Resolution of the Senate were postponed until the next legislative day:

SB 294. By Senators Murphy of the 27th, Mullis of the 53rd, Tippins of the 37th, Crane of the 28th, Gooch of the 51st and others:

A BILL to be entitled an Act to amend Chapter 14 of Title 43 of the O.C.G.A., relating to electrical contractors, plumbers, conditioned air contractors, low-voltage contractors, and utility contractors, so as to provide that a person licensed as an Electrical Contractor Class II may perform low-voltage contracting without obtaining a state-wide Low-voltage Contractor Class LV-A, LV-G, LV-U, or LV-T license; to change certain provisions related to the powers and duties of the Division of Electrical Contractors; to change certain provisions related to the duties of the State Construction Industry Licensing Board; to repeal conflicting laws; and for other purposes.

SB 304. By Senators Stone of the 23rd and Jackson of the 24th:

A BILL to be entitled an Act to amend Chapter 45 of Title 33 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to continuing care providers and facilities, so as to provide for continuing care at home; to define certain terms; to provide that a provider with a certificate of authority and the written approval of the commissioner may offer, as a part of the continuing care agreement, continuing care at home and continuing care in which the resident purchases a resident owned living unit; to provide for notices of disclosure statements; to provide for related matters; to repeal conflicting laws; and for other purposes.

SB 343. By Senators Mullis of the 53rd, Unterman of the 45th, Bethel of the 54th, Miller of the 49th, Hill of the 4th and others:

A BILL to be entitled an Act to amend Part 14 of Article 6 of Chapter 2 of Title 20 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to certain programs and activities under the "Quality Basic Education Act," so as to provide that no high school which receives funding under Article 6 of Chapter 2 of Title 20, the "Quality Basic Education Act," shall participate in or sponsor interscholastic sports events conducted by any athletic association unless the association meets certain conditions; to provide for related matters; to repeal conflicting laws; and for other purposes.

SR 937. By Senator Stone of the 23rd:

A RESOLUTION honoring the life of Mr. Albert Sidney "Sid" Newton and dedicating a road in his memory; and for other purposes.

The following Bills and Resolutions of the House were taken up for the purpose of considering the Senate action thereon:

HB 741. By Representatives Tanner of the 9th, Tankersley of the 160th, Gasaway of the 28th, Powell of the 171st, Smith of the 70th and others:

A BILL to be entitled an Act to amend Chapter 5 of Title 12 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to water resources, so as to revise certain requirements related to issuance of sludge land application permits; to require consistency with existing local zoning ordinances; to require that public hearings be held within jurisdiction of the governing authority where the proposed land application site is located; to provide for an effective date; to provide for related matters; to repeal conflicting laws; and for other purposes.

The following Senate substitute was read:

A BILL TO BE ENTITLED
AN ACT

To amend Chapter 5 of Title 12 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to water resources, so as to revise certain requirements related to issuance of sludge land application permits; to require consistency with existing local zoning ordinances; to require that public hearings be held within jurisdiction of the governing authority where the proposed land application site is located; to provide for an effective date; to provide for related matters; to repeal conflicting laws; and for other purposes.

BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF GEORGIA:

SECTION 1.

Chapter 5 of Title 12 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to water resources, is amended by revising Code Section 12-5-30.3, relating to sludge land application systems, as follows:

"12-5-30.3.

(a) As used in this Code section, the term:

(1) 'Sludge' means the solid or semisolid residue generated at a waste-water treatment or pretreatment plant. Such term specifically excludes treated effluent, septage, and sludge <u>that has been</u> treated to further reduce pathogens by such processes as composting, heat drying, or heat treating.

(2) 'Sludge land application' means the placement of sludge on or under the ground surface for the purpose of sludge disposal, soil conditioning, or agricultural enhancement. Such term specifically excludes the disposal of sludge in a permitted landfill.

(b)<u>(1)</u> No person shall operate a sludge land application system without first securing the approval of the director. The director may include this approval and approval requirements in a permit issued under Code Section 12-5-30.

(2) Prior to the issuance of any permit for a sludge land application system, the director shall require written verification to be furnished by the applicant that the proposed facility complies with applicable local zoning or land use ordinances, if any.

(c) The Board of Natural Resources shall adopt technical regulations governing sludge land application and procedural regulations for approval of sludge land application systems, including public notice and public hearing requirements. All public hearings shall be conducted by the division and the applicant for the permit within the jurisdiction of the local governing authority where the proposed sludge land application site is located.

(d) The local governing authority in which a sludge land application site is located may assess upon the generator of the sludge and the owner of the sludge land application site reasonable fees for environmental monitoring of the site and may hire persons to monitor the site. Payment of the assessed fee shall be made prior to the application of sludge. Failure to pay such fees, if assessed, shall be grounds for the local governing authority to seek an injunction to stop the land application of sludge. The provisions of this ~~subsection~~ section shall not apply to the land application of sludge which is generated by the treatment of industrial process waste water only.

(e) Any person who violates this Code section, regulations adopted by the Board of Natural Resources pursuant to this Code section, or any permit or approval requirements of the director issued pursuant to this Code section shall be subject to the civil penalties and the criminal penalties contained in Code Sections 12-5-52 and 12-5-53."

SECTION 2.

This Act shall become effective upon its approval by the Governor or upon its becoming law without such approval.

SECTION 3.

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

Representative Tanner of the 9th moved that the House agree to the Senate substitute to HB 741.

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

Y Abrams	Y Coomer	Y Gregory	Y McCall	Y Sims, C
Y Alexander	Y Cooper	E Hamilton	Y McClain	E Smith, E
Y Allison	Y Dawkins-Haigler	Y Harbin	Y Meadows	Y Smith, L
Y Anderson	Y Deffenbaugh	Y Harden	Y Mitchell	E Smith, M
Y Atwood	Y Dempsey	Y Harrell	N Moore	Y Smith, R
Y Ballinger	Y Dickerson	Y Hatchett	Morgan	Y Smyre
Y Barr	Y Dickey	Y Hawkins	Y Morris	Y Spencer
Y Battles	Y Dickson	Y Henson	Y Mosby	Y Stephens, M
Y Beasley-Teague	Dollar	Y Hightower	Y Nimmer	Stephens, R
Y Bell	Y Douglas	Y Hitchens	Y Nix	Y Stephenson

Y Bennett	Y Drenner	Y Holcomb	E Oliver	Y Stovall
Y Bentley	Y Dudgeon	Y Holmes	Y O'Neal	Y Stover
E Benton	E Dukes	Y Holt	Y Pak	Y Strickland
Y Beverly	Y Dunahoo	Y Houston	Parrish	Y Talton
Y Black	Y Duncan	Y Howard	Y Parsons	Y Tankersley
Y Braddock	Y Dutton	Y Hugley	Y Peake	Y Tanner
Y Broadrick	Y Efstration	Y Jackson	Y Pezold	Y Tarvin
Y Brockway	Y Ehrhart	Y Jacobs	Y Powell, A	Y Taylor, D
Y Brooks	Y England	Y Jasperse	Y Powell, J	Y Taylor, T
Y Bruce	Y Epps, C	Y Jones, J	Y Prince	Y Teasley
Y Bryant	Y Epps, J	Y Jones, L	Y Pruett	Y Thomas, A.M.
Y Buckner	Y Evans	Y Jones, S	Y Quick	Y Turner
Y Burns	Y Fleming	Jordan	Y Ramsey	Y Waites
Y Caldwell, J	Floyd	Y Kaiser	Y Randall	Y Watson, B
Y Caldwell, M	Y Fludd	Y Kelley	Y Rice	Watson, S
Y Carson	E Frazier	E Kendrick	Y Riley	E Welch
Y Carter	Y Frye	Kidd	Y Roberts	Weldon
Y Casas	Fullerton	Y Kirby	E Rogers, C	Y Wilkerson
Y Chandler	Y Gardner	Y Knight	Y Rogers, T	Y Wilkinson
Y Channell	Y Gasaway	Y Lindsey	Y Rutledge	Y Willard
Y Chapman	Y Geisinger	Y Lumsden	Y Rynders	E Williams, A
Y Cheokas	Y Glanton	Y Mabra	Y Scott	Y Williams, C
Y Clark, J	E Golick	Y Marin	Y Setzler	Williams, E
Y Clark, V	Y Gordon	Y Martin	Y Sharper	Y Williamson
Y Coleman	Y Gravley	Y Maxwell	Shaw	Y Yates
Y Cooke	E Greene	Y Mayo	Y Sims, B	Ralston, Speaker

On the motion, the ayes were 153, nays 1.

The motion prevailed.

HB 845. By Representatives Strickland of the 111th, Powell of the 171st, Rutledge of the 109th, Bruce of the 61st, Pruett of the 149th and others:

A BILL to be entitled an Act to amend Code Section 50-18-72 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to when public disclosure is not required, so as to prohibit the disclosure of arrest booking photographs except under certain circumstances; to provide for related matters; to repeal conflicting laws; and for other purposes.

The following Senate substitute was read:

A BILL TO BE ENTITLED
AN ACT

To amend Chapter 1 of Title 35 and Code Section 50-18-72 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to general provisions for law enforcement officers and agencies and when public disclosure is not required, respectively, so as to prohibit the

disclosure of arrest booking photographs under certain circumstances; to provide for related matters; to repeal conflicting laws; and for other purposes.

BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF GEORGIA:

SECTION 1.

Chapter 1 of Title 35 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to general provisions for law enforcement officers and agencies, is amended by adding a new Code section to read as follows:

"35-1-18.

(a) As used in this Code section, the term 'booking photograph' means a photograph or image of an individual taken by an arresting law enforcement agency for the purpose of identification or taken when such individual was processed into a jail.

(b) Except as provided in Code Section 50-18-77 and booking photographs required for publication as set forth in Titles 16 and 40, for the State Sexual Offender Registry, and for use by law enforcement agencies for administrative purposes, an arresting law enforcement agency or agent thereof shall not post booking photographs to or on a website.

(c) An arresting law enforcement agency shall not provide or make available a copy of a booking photograph in any format to a person requesting such photograph if:

(1) Such booking photograph may be placed in a publication or posted to a website or transferred to a person to be placed in a publication or posted to a website; and

(2) Removal or deletion of such booking photograph from such publication or website requires the payment of a fee or other consideration.

(d) When a person requests a booking photograph, he or she shall submit a statement affirming that the use of such photograph is in compliance with subsection (c) of this Code section. Any person who knowingly makes a false statement in requesting a booking photograph shall be guilty of a violation of Code Section 16-10-20."

SECTION 2.

Code Section 50-18-72 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to when public disclosure is not required, is amended by revising paragraph (4) of subsection (a) as follows:

"(4) Records of law enforcement, prosecution, or regulatory agencies in any pending investigation or prosecution of criminal or unlawful activity, other than initial police arrest reports and initial incident reports; provided, however, that an investigation or prosecution shall no longer be deemed to be pending when all direct litigation involving such investigation and prosecution has become final or otherwise terminated; and provided, further, that this paragraph shall not apply to records in the possession of an agency that is the subject of the pending investigation or prosecution; and provided, further, that the release of booking photographs shall only be permissible in accordance with Code Section 35-1-18;"

SECTION 3.

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

Representative Strickland of the 111th moved that the House agree to the Senate substitute to HB 845.

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

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

On the motion, the ayes were 156, nays 0.

The motion prevailed.

HR 1183. By Representatives Tanner of the 9th, Kidd of the 145th, Dickson of the 6th, Lumsden of the 12th and Cooper of the 43rd:

A RESOLUTION proposing an amendment to the Constitution so as to provide that the General Assembly by general law may impose additional penalties or fees for the offense of reckless driving and may provide for the allocation of such additional penalties or fees to the Brain and Spinal Injury Trust Fund, as provided by law, for the specified purpose of meeting any and all costs, or any portion of the costs, of providing care and rehabilitative services to citizens of this state who have survived neurotrauma with head or spinal cord injuries; to provide for related matters; to provide for the submission of this amendment for ratification or rejection; and for other purposes.

The following Senate substitute was read:

A RESOLUTION

Proposing an amendment to the Constitution so as to provide that the General Assembly by general law may impose additional penalties or fees for the offense of reckless driving and may provide for the allocation of such additional penalties or fees to the Brain and Spinal Injury Trust Fund, as provided by law, for the specified purpose of meeting any and all costs, or any portion of the costs, of providing care and rehabilitative services to citizens of this state who have survived neurotrauma with head or spinal cord injuries; to provide for related matters; to provide for the submission of this amendment for ratification or rejection; and for other purposes.

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF GEORGIA:

SECTION 1.

Article III, Section IX, Paragraph VI of the Constitution is amended by revising subparagraph (k) as follows:

"(k) The General Assembly is authorized to provide by general law for additional penalties or fees in any case in any court in this state in which a person is adjudged guilty of an offense involving driving under the influence of alcohol or drugs or reckless driving. The General Assembly is authorized to provide by general law for the allocation of such additional penalties or fees to the Brain and Spinal Injury Trust Fund, as provided by law, for the specified purpose of meeting any and all costs, or any portion of the costs, of providing care and rehabilitative services to citizens of the state who have survived neurotrauma with head or spinal cord injuries. Moneys appropriated for such purposes shall not lapse. The General Assembly may provide by general law for the administration of such fund by such authority as the General Assembly shall determine."

SECTION 2.

The above proposed amendment to the Constitution shall be published and submitted as provided in Article X, Section I, Paragraph II of the Constitution. The ballot submitting the above proposed amendment shall have written or printed thereon the following:

"( ) YES Shall the Constitution of Georgia be amended to allow additional reckless
( ) NO driving penalties or fees to be added to the Brain and Spinal Injury Trust Fund to pay for care and rehabilitative services for Georgia citizens who have survived neurotrauma with head or spinal cord injuries?"

All persons desiring to vote in favor of ratifying the proposed amendment shall vote "Yes." All persons desiring to vote against ratifying the proposed amendment shall vote "No." If such amendment shall be ratified as provided in said Paragraph of the Constitution, it shall become a part of the Constitution of this state.

Representative Tanner of the 9th moved that the House agree to the Senate substitute to HR 1183.

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

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

Y Clark, J	E Golick	Y Marin	Y Setzler	Williams, E
Y Clark, V	Y Gordon	Y Martin	Y Sharper	Y Williamson
Y Coleman	Y Gravley	Y Maxwell	Y Shaw	Y Yates
Y Cooke	E Greene	Y Mayo	Y Sims, B	Ralston, Speaker

On the motion, the ayes were 147, nays 6.

The motion prevailed.

HR 1544. By Representative Roberts of the 155th:

A RESOLUTION honoring the life of Major Henry Talmage Elrod and dedicating a road in his memory; and for other purposes.

The following Senate substitute was read:

A RESOLUTION

Dedicating and renaming certain portions of the state highway system; repealing a portion of a resolution dedicating portions of the state highway system approved on May 7, 2013 (Ga. L. 2013, p. 951); and for other purposes.

PART I

WHEREAS, the State of Georgia lost one of its finest citizens and leaders with the passing of Major Henry Talmage Elrod; and

WHEREAS, Major Elrod was born on September 27, 1905, in Turner County, Georgia, and attended the University of Georgia and Yale University; and

WHEREAS, he served as a guardian of this nation's freedom and liberty with the United States Marine Corps, valiantly and courageously defending his fellow Americans during World War II; and

WHEREAS, Major Elrod single handedly attacked a flight of 22 enemy planes over Wake Island and executed several low altitude bombings and strafing runs on enemy ships; and

WHEREAS, he became the first American to sink a Japanese warship, the *Kisaragi*, with small caliber bombs delivered from a fighter aircraft; and

WHEREAS, when all the U.S. aircraft had been destroyed by hostile fire, Major Elrod organized the remaining troops into a beach defense unit which repulsed repeated Japanese attacks; and

WHEREAS, Major Elrod was mortally wounded on December 23, 1941, while protecting his men who were carrying ammunition to a gun emplacement; and

WHEREAS, Major Elrod exhibited extraordinary devotion to duty, outstanding loyalty, fine leadership, and meticulous attention to detail in all his duties, and it is abundantly fitting and proper that a road be dedicated in his honor.

PART II

WHEREAS, our nation's security continues to rely on patriotic men and women who put their personal lives on hold in order to place themselves in harm's way to protect the freedoms that all United States citizens cherish; and

WHEREAS, United States military veterans have demonstrated a deep personal commitment to protecting democracy and a willingness to sacrifice their own personal safety and comfort to ensure the well-being of their fellow man; and

WHEREAS, they have served as guardians of this nation's freedom and liberty and have diligently and conscientiously undergone intensive and rigorous training in order to serve their country with honor and distinction during times of war and peace; and

WHEREAS, it is important that veterans are thanked for their selfless service to this nation and honored for their unyielding commitment to protecting the people and ideals of the United States; and

WHEREAS, veterans embody the spirit of service, willing to find meaning in something greater than themselves, and it is abundantly fitting and proper that the outstanding accomplishments and sacrifices of these remarkable and distinguished Americans be honored appropriately.

PART III

WHEREAS, our nation's security continues to rely on patriotic men and women who put their personal lives on hold in order to place themselves in harm's way to protect the freedoms that all United States citizens cherish; and

WHEREAS, Major Herndon Cummings, Colonel John Whitehead, and Colonel Marion Rodgers were influential Tuskegee Airmen who valiantly and courageously served this nation during World War II and were born in or spent years during their childhood in Laurens County, Georgia; and

WHEREAS, a native of Laurens County, Major Herndon Cummings enlisted in the United States Air Corps on June 25, 1942, and was assigned to the 447th Bomber Group with whom he served for four years;

WHEREAS, upon completion of his service with the Air Corps, Major Cummings enlisted with the United States Air Force Reserve and dedicated 20 years of additional service to the nation; and

WHEREAS, Colonel Marion Rodgers was raised in Dublin, Georgia, and served with an anti-aircraft artillery unit and as a radio operator prior to attending flight school; and

WHEREAS, Colonel Rodgers was assigned to the 99th Fighter Squadron, the "Red Tails," and dedicated 22 years to the Air Force before working in the civil service field for 17 years; and

WHEREAS, Colonel Rodgers spent a year working for N.A.S.A. as a program manager on the mission for Apollo 13 and was prominent in the development of electronics and communications procedures with N.O.R.A.D.; and

WHEREAS, Colonel John Whitehead spent several years during his youth in Laurens County and flew several missions over Europe during World War II; and

WHEREAS, known as "Mr. Death" by his fellow pilots, Colonel Whitehead was the first African American test pilot for the Air Force and during his 30 year career spent more than 9,500 hours in the air; and

WHEREAS, it is abundantly fitting and proper that the extraordinary accomplishments of these distinguished Georgians be appropriately recognized with the naming of an intersection in their honor.

PART IV

WHEREAS, the State of Georgia lost one of its finest citizens and most dedicated law enforcement officers with the passing of Deputy David W. Gilstrap on October 9, 2008; and

WHEREAS, a native of Hapeville, Georgia, Deputy Gilstrap graduated from Rabun Gap Nachoochee School and served as a guardian of this nation's freedom and liberty with the United States Armed Forces; and

WHEREAS, as a sergeant in the United States Armed Forces, Deputy Gilstrap was recognized with numerous commendations, including an Army Achievement Medal, Good Conduct Medal, National Defense Service Medal, NCO Professional Development Ribbon, Army Service Ribbon, Overseas Service Ribbon, and Expert Marksmanship Badge for M-16; and

WHEREAS, after his 13 year career in the military, Deputy Gilstrap returned home to begin his career in law enforcement with the Clarke County Sheriff's Office; and

WHEREAS, a graduate of the North East Georgia Police Academy, Deputy Gilstrap joined the Oconee County Sheriff's Office in 2005 where he worked with the traffic enforcement unit; and

WHEREAS, Deputy Gilstrap exhibited extraordinary devotion to duty, outstanding loyalty, fine leadership, and meticulous attention to detail in all his duties, and it is abundantly fitting and proper that a road be dedicated in his honor.

PART V

WHEREAS, Mr. William Riley Curry served in the Georgia General Assembly during the 1910s and 1920s and entertained many legislators and governors in his home, and he organized and was president and majority stockholder of People's Bank of Shellman, now known as First State Bank of Randolph County, and was a major benefactor of the Georgia Baptist Children's Home, where he established the Nena Ferguson Curry Children's Fund; and at the height of the Great Depression, he established the $100,000.00 Curry Choir of Christianity at Mercer University, which act of philanthropy allowed Mercer University to remain open at a time when many private universities were forced to close, and he developed railroad lines throughout the South with other capitalists, who were also guests at the family home; and

WHEREAS, Mr. Curry built the Curry Home in Shellman, Georgia, in 1906; the home was designed by the architectural firm of Dennis & Dennis of Macon and was constructed by W.I. Jay & Co.; and

WHEREAS, he remodeled the imposing, two-story, white clapboard home in 1926, and in 1963 James Riley Curry, Sr., inherited the property and commissioned a vast renovation, which was undertaken by the Hugh Gaston Architecture Co. of Albany; and

WHEREAS, the current owner, William Scott Curry II, purchased the home from the heirs of the J. R. Curry, Sr., Estate in 2012, and in April of 2013 he began an extensive renovation and remodel of the home; and

WHEREAS, the many interesting historic features of the house include fluted ionic columns, unusually fine, leaded cut-glass windows surrounding the massive front doorway, richly colored stained-glass windows, intricately designed bronze ceilings, mahogany wainscoting of the front entrance hall and formal dining room, and the crystal chandelier in the foyer; and

WHEREAS, the home in Randolph County stands as a fine monument to Mr. William Riley Curry, a successful Georgia entrepreneur and great philanthropist.

PART VI

WHEREAS, Mr. Bobby Eugene Parham has long been recognized by the citizens of this state for the vital role that he has played in leadership and his deep personal commitment to the welfare of the citizens of Georgia; and

WHEREAS, after graduating from the University of Georgia College of Pharmacy, Mr. Parham's interest in politics was piqued as he worked as a pharmacist for Representative Culver Kidd at the Culver & Kidd Drugstore; and

WHEREAS, Mr. Parham successfully ran for the Baldwin County School Board and served as a Baldwin County Commissioner before he was elected to the Georgia House of Representatives; and

WHEREAS, he ably and adeptly served his constituents and the State of Georgia as a Representative from 1974 until his retirement in 2009; and

WHEREAS, as a member of the House of Representatives, Mr. Parham served on the House Committees on Appropriations, Rules, and Health & Ecology and as chairperson of the House Committee on Transportation; and

WHEREAS, upon his retirement from the House in 2009, Mr. Parham was elected to the State Transportation Board of the Department of Transportation, representing his hometown of Milledgeville and Baldwin County; and

WHEREAS, it is abundantly fitting and proper that the outstanding accomplishments of this remarkable and distinguished Georgian be appropriately recognized with the naming of a bridge in his honor.

PART VII

WHEREAS, our nation's security continues to rely on patriotic men and women who put their personal lives on hold in order to place themselves in harm's way to protect the freedoms that all United States citizens cherish; and

WHEREAS, United States military veterans have demonstrated a deep personal commitment to protecting democracy and a willingness to sacrifice their own personal safety and comfort to ensure the well-being of their fellow man; and

WHEREAS, they have served as guardians of this nation's freedom and liberty and have diligently and conscientiously undergone intensive and rigorous training in order to serve their country with honor and distinction during times of war and peace; and

WHEREAS, it is important that veterans are thanked for their selfless service to this nation and honored for their unyielding commitment to protecting the people and ideals of the United States; and

WHEREAS, veterans embody the spirit of service, willing to find meaning in something greater than themselves, and it is abundantly fitting and proper that the outstanding accomplishments and sacrifices of these remarkable and distinguished Americans be honored appropriately.

PART VIII

WHEREAS, the McDougald family, William Alexander and Catherine Buie McDougald with their youngest child Dougald, immigrated to America in 1841 from the Island of Jura, Great Britain, and settled in North Carolina; and

WHEREAS, Dougald and his sons, John Alexander, Duncan, and William, were successful farmers and turpentine producers and were active in civic projects, especially in Bulloch County, Georgia; and

WHEREAS, John Alexander McDougald was a major donor in the bid to establish the First District A&M School, which later was named Georgia Southern University, and as a member of the city council and mayor helped the City of Statesboro obtain improved water and sewerage and a complete sanitary system; and

WHEREAS, John Alexander McDougald's mansion on South Main Street is listed on the National Register of Historic Places, and he generously gave land to an African American Baptist church on Highway 67 for the benefit of his workers and their families, a church named St. John the Second; and

WHEREAS, a most notable achievement of John Alexander McDougald is that he attracted to Statesboro and was host to the internationally acclaimed chemist, Dr. Charles Holmes Herty, who in the year 1900 performed experiments on pine trees located on land now occupied by Georgia Southern University and whose research led to the production of Naval Stores shipped from Statesboro around the world; and

WHEREAS, in honor of John Alexander McDougald, the General Assembly created the Herty Advanced Materials Development Center which relocated from Savannah to Georgia Southern University in 2012; and

WHEREAS, other members of the McDougald family who have a rich history in Statesboro and Georgia include Bernard McDougald, who served 30 years as a member of the Statesboro City Council; Ruth McDougald, author of a popular local newspaper column; Walter McDougald, an active spokesperson for the growth of the college and of the community of Clito; Worth McDougald, a noted professor at the University of

Georgia who shaped the famed Peabody Awards program; Don McDougald, who brought the first FM radio station to Statesboro, developed WWNS Radio, and established the community's cable television system; Maggie McDougald, one of the early communications lawyers in Georgia; Sally Quinn, a noted television commentator and author of several major books, who married Ben Bradley, former editor of the *Washington Post*; Michael McDougald, who has served eight years as chairman of Georgia Public Broadcasting; and William McDougald, editor of *Southern Living Magazine*; and

WHEREAS, it is abundantly fitting and proper that a road be dedicated in honor of this important and notable Georgia family whose talents and influence stretch from the islands of Scotland to the Pine Forests of Bulloch County, Georgia.

PART IX

WHEREAS, Mr. Ray C. Anderson graduated from the Georgia Institute of Technology and spent over 14 years learning the carpet trade with Deering-Milliken and Callaway Mills before founding Interface, a company that produced the first free-lay carpet tiles in America; and

WHEREAS, since the company's establishment in 1973, Interface has grown to be the world's largest producer of modular commercial flooring with sales in 110 countries and manufacturing facilities on four continents; and

WHEREAS, under the enlightened and thoughtful vision of Mr. Anderson, Interface adopted a Mission Zero promise, which aims to eliminate any negative impact it may have on the environment by the year 2020 and to reduce or eliminate waste and harmful emissions while increasing the use of renewable materials and sources of energy; and

WHEREAS, a pioneer of conscientious business practices, Mr. Anderson and his dedication to improving the environment have been recognized with numerous awards, including a Design for Humanity Award from the American Society for Interior Designers, a Lifetime Achievement Award from GreenLaw, and a River Guardian Award from the Upper Chattahoochee Riverkeeper organization, just to name a few; and

WHEREAS, Mr. Anderson served as a co-chair on President Clinton's Council on Sustainable Development and the 2008 Presidential Climate Action Plan; and

WHEREAS, a sought-after speaker and advisor on all eco-issues, Mr. Anderson was named one of *TIME* magazine's Heroes of the Environment in 2007, was honored with an inaugural Millennium Award from Global Green, and earned recognition as Entrepreneur of the Year in 1996 from Ernst & Young and *Forbes Magazine*; and

WHEREAS, his leadership was instrumental to the numerous boards on which he served, including The Georgia Conservancy, the Ida Cason Callaway Foundation, Rocky Mountain Institute, the David Suzuki Foundation, Emory University Board of Ethics Advisory Council, the ASID Foundation, and Worldwatch Institute; and

WHEREAS, it is abundantly fitting and proper that the outstanding accomplishments of this remarkable and distinguished Georgian be appropriately recognized by naming a road in his memory.

PART X

WHEREAS, the State of Georgia lost one of its finest citizens and most dedicated public servants with the passing of Judge Arthur M. Kaplan on January 1, 2010; and

WHEREAS, a native of Covington, Georgia, Judge Kaplan was born on January 5, 1925, the beloved son of Nathan Kaplan and Lena Mischelevich Kaplan; and

WHEREAS, he served as a guardian of this nation's freedom and liberty with the United States Navy, valiantly and courageously protecting America during World War II in five invasions in the Pacific theater of war; and

WHEREAS, a John Marshall School of Law graduate, Judge Kaplan practiced civil and criminal law for 50 years and was appointed to the Atlanta Municipal Court in 1973 by Mayor Sam Massell; and

WHEREAS, he used the life-saving skills he obtained in the Navy to teach members of the Georgia Bureau of Investigation, Federal Bureau of Investigation, United States Secret Service, Atlanta Fire Rescue, and nursing students at Grady Memorial Hospital emergency medical care techniques at the Atlanta Police Academy; and

WHEREAS, Judge Kaplan taught more than 15,000 people in emergency medical care and rendered emergency first aid to more than 30,000 people; and

WHEREAS, it is abundantly fitting and proper that the extraordinary accomplishments of this distinguished Georgian be appropriately recognized by naming an intersection in his memory.

PART XI

WHEREAS, the State of Georgia lost an icon of strength with the passing of twelve-year-old Kenneth Webster Stewart III after a five-year battle with medulloblastoma; and

WHEREAS, his suffering brought together his community with a renewed love and sense of doing the right thing; and

WHEREAS, throughout his journey more than 800 people followed his progress through his Facebook prayer-group page and more than 1,012 people came to pay their respects to his family upon his passing; and

WHEREAS, Kenneth, who one day hoped of serving in the Army, was given the nickname "Soldier Boy" by the community that also dedicated Rock Creek Park Field #12 to his memory by renaming it Kenneth Stewart III Field "Soldier Boy"; and

WHEREAS, his true love of baseball was further celebrated when he had the opportunity to serve as a bat boy during a baseball game held at Turner Field benefiting Children's Healthcare of Atlanta; and

WHEREAS, it is abundantly fitting and proper that the outstanding accomplishments of this remarkable and distinguished Georgian be appropriately recognized by dedicating an intersection in his memory.

PART XII

WHEREAS, Mr. Marcus Byrd was born in Dawson County, Georgia, a beloved son of C.B. and Annie Byrd; and

WHEREAS, he served as a guardian of this nation's freedom and liberty with the United States Army, attaining the rank of sergeant;

WHEREAS, Mr. Byrd was dedicated to enriching and uplifting the lives of young people in Dawson County, where he started volunteering with the Boy Scouts of America program in 1958; and

WHEREAS, he started the first Cub Scout pack in Dawson County and served as pack master before later serving as a leader for a Boy Scout troop; and

WHEREAS, Mr. Byrd dedicated three decades to the Boy Scouts of America organization, and under his leadership and tutelage numerous young men went on to earn Eagle Scout rankings and become productive adults; and

WHEREAS, his commitment to the organization was recognized with a Silver Beaver Award; and

WHEREAS, a community leader, Mr. Byrd was a member of Bethel Methodist Church, the Board of Trustees for Lumpkin Campground, and the Etowah Masonic Lodge; and

WHEREAS, it is abundantly fitting and proper that the extraordinary accomplishments of this distinguished Georgian be recognized by dedicating a bridge in his honor.

PART XIII

WHEREAS, Mr. Albert Sidney "Sid" Newton has long been recognized by the citizens of this state for the vital role that he played in leadership and his deep personal commitment to the welfare of the citizens of Georgia, and his passing left a void in the hearts of his family, friends, and neighbors; and

WHEREAS, Mr. Newton was born in Jenkins County, the beloved son of the late John Cleve and Ruby Aycock Newton, and he graduated from the University of Georgia; and

WHEREAS, one of Jenkins County's most successful farmers and dairymen, Mr. Newton was a member of the Jenkins County Farm Bureau and the Georgia Dairy Association; and

WHEREAS, he ably and adeptly served three terms in the Georgia House of Representatives and one term in the Georgia Senate, championing the interests of his constituents; and

WHEREAS, prior to joining the Georgia Senate in 1961, Mr. Newton was a member of the Jenkins County Board of Commissioners for 20 years and served as chairperson for 14 years; and

WHEREAS, his leadership was invaluable as vice president and director of the Bank of Millen, director of Millen Warehouse Company, president of Millen Industrial Development Company, president of the Jenkins County Authority, and vice president of John Wilson Company; and

WHEREAS, a man of deep and abiding faith, Mr. Newton was a member of Millen Methodist Church, where he was active in Bible Class, and was a member of the Millen Rotary Club; and

WHEREAS, it is abundantly fitting and proper that the extraordinary life of this distinguished Georgian be appropriately recognized by dedicating a road in his memory.

PART XIV

WHEREAS, Eurith Dickinson "Ed" Rivers has long been recognized by the citizens of this state for the vital role he played in leadership and his deep personal commitment to the welfare of the citizens of Georgia; and

WHEREAS, Governor Rivers served in both chambers of the General Assembly, adeptly representing the interests of his constituents in Lanier County; and

WHEREAS, as a member of the Georgia State Senate, Governor Rivers demonstrated invaluable leadership and was elected to serve as President Pro Tempore by his colleagues; and

WHEREAS, he was elected Governor by the citizens of Georgia in 1936 and won reelection in 1939; and

WHEREAS, Governor Rivers served the State of Georgia with honor and distinction, and his vision and unyielding commitment set the standard for public service; and

WHEREAS, it is abundantly fitting and proper that the outstanding accomplishments of this remarkable and distinguished Georgian be appropriately recognized by naming a road in his memory.

PART XV

WHEREAS, it is fitting and proper that the late Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr., influential pastor and leader of the civil rights movement in the 1950s and 1960s, be honored by his home state for his many contributions to the greater good of this state and the nation.

PART XVI

WHEREAS, the Sledge family has been part of Peach County since the county's formation, and generations of the Sledge family have been integral leaders in the community; and

WHEREAS, Mr. Carlton Harmon "Bud" Sledge was a lifelong resident of Peach County and patriarch of the Sledge family; and

WHEREAS, Mr. Sledge donated land to the county which allowed for the construction of a bridge and interchange at the intersection of Interstate 75 and Russell Parkway; and

WHEREAS, the lives of countless Peach County residents and visitors have been improved thanks to Mr. Sledge's generous donation; and

WHEREAS, it is abundantly fitting and proper that the extraordinary charity of this distinguished Georgian be recognized by dedicating a bridge in his honor.

PART XVII

WHEREAS, Stanton Springs spans 1,620 acres of gently rolling countryside near Covington, Social Circle, Monticello, and Madison, Georgia; and

WHEREAS, Stanton Springs incorporates specific areas for residential, light business/industrial/distribution, commercial/retail, and office uses in mid- to low-rise buildings that blend gracefully with their surrounding environment; and

WHEREAS, this development stands as one of Georgia's premier economic development achievements, and it is abundantly fitting and proper that a road be dedicated in its honor.

PART XVIII

WHEREAS, Mr. Johnny "Eric" Purvis was the last in a long line of Purvis men devoted to building bridges in Georgia; and

WHEREAS, for 59 years, members of the Purvis family built bridges and ensured the safety of countless Georgians traveling on local and state roads; and

WHEREAS, Mr. Purvis was the chief crane operator for Rodgers Bridge Company for 26 years; and

WHEREAS, he worked on bridges from Charlton County to Valdosta, including the Savannah Port, Savannah, Eulonia, Darien, and Dock Junction; and

WHEREAS, Mr. Purvis was working on the bridge at Horse Stamp Church Road in Glynn County when he passed away of a heart attack; and

WHEREAS, a dedicated working man and salt of the Earth gentleman, Mr. Purvis left behind many who cherish his memory and admired his work ethic, including his wife, family, and numerous friends and co-workers; and

WHEREAS, it is abundantly fitting and proper that the extraordinary accomplishments of this distinguished Georgian be recognized by dedicating a bridge in his honor.

PART XIX

WHEREAS, Mr. Olief Wainwright was a lifelong resident of the Crowell/Fickling Mill Community in Taylor County; and

WHEREAS, Mr. Wainwright served as a guardian of this nation's freedom and liberty with the United States Armed Forces, valiantly and courageously protecting his fellow citizens during the Korean Conflict; and

WHEREAS, a man of deep and abiding faith, Mr. Wainwright was actively involved in his church's ministry, served on mission trips to South America and throughout the United States, and coordinated many construction efforts to repair church roofs, install wheelchair ramps, and build furniture and pews; and

WHEREAS, Mr. Wainwright helped to replace a breached dam at the Taylor County landmark of Fickling Mill on four separate occasions, and due to his hard work and dedication, the landmark continues to be enjoyed by many Taylor County visitors and local residents; and

WHEREAS, it is abundantly fitting and proper that the extraordinary charity of this distinguished Georgian be recognized by dedicating a bridge in his honor.

PART XX

WHEREAS, Mrs. Eleanor D. Roosevelt was committed to uplifting the lives of children and her hard work and community spirit have impacted the lives of countless Georgians and Americans; and

WHEREAS, as First Lady of the United States, Mrs. Roosevelt was an influential spokesperson for human rights, children's causes, and women's issues, and her work after her husband's term as president on behalf of the League of Women Voters, volunteering for the American Red Cross, and serving as a foreign diplomat and ambassador earned her the title "First Lady of the World"; and

WHEREAS, the longest serving First Lady in the nation's history, Mrs. Roosevelt is the namesake for the Eleanor Roosevelt School in Warm Springs, which was one of many schools opened during President Franklin D. Roosevelt's tenure as president and was part of the Julius Rosenwald School Building Fund Program which was a major effort to provide education for African American children across the United States; and

WHEREAS, the Rosenwald Fund provided financial support for the construction of schools for African Americans and produced plan books to aid communities with constructing cost-efficient, architect-designed school buildings; and

WHEREAS, the school was named in honor of Mrs. Roosevelt in recognition of her efforts to end segregation and her dedication to civil rights; and

WHEREAS, President Roosevelt delivered the keynote address during the opening ceremony for the school which operated from 1937 to 1972; and

WHEREAS, it is abundantly fitting and proper that the extraordinary accomplishments of this distinguished woman be recognized by naming a bridge in her honor.

PART XXI

WHEREAS, Mr. Rodney Mims Cook has long been recognized by the citizens of this state for the vital role that he played in leadership and his deep personal commitment to the welfare of the citizens of Georgia, and his passing left a void in the hearts of his family, friends, and neighbors; and

WHEREAS, Mr. Cook was born in Atlanta, the beloved son of the late James Leslie and Bess Mims Cook, and he graduated summa cum laude and as class valedictorian from Washington and Lee University; and

WHEREAS, he served as a guardian of this nation's freedom and liberty with the United States Navy as a lieutenant in the Pacific Theater during World War II; and

WHEREAS, one of the first Republicans to be elected in Georgia since Reconstruction, Mr. Cook served simultaneously as a member of the Georgia House of Representatives and as an at-large member of the Atlanta City Council, helping to foster Atlanta's exponential growth during the 1960s and 1970s; and

WHEREAS, as a member of the Georgia House of Representatives he served on the appropriations, ways and means, and industry committees, served as chairman of the Georgia Republican Party, and was the party nominee for Governor in 1978; and

WHEREAS, mentored by Martin Luther King, Sr., and Mayors William Hartsfield and Ivan Allen, Mr. Cook fought to integrate Atlanta neighborhoods with his notable speech on the floor of the Atlanta City Council urging the tearing down of the "Peyton Wall" which was a barrier built to stop black citizens from moving into a white section of Atlanta and was referred to as the "Berlin Wall" by the black community; and

WHEREAS, it is abundantly fitting and proper that the extraordinary life of this distinguished Georgian be appropriately recognized by dedicating a road in his memory.

PART XXII

WHEREAS, our nation's security continues to rely on patriotic men and women who put their personal lives on hold in order to place themselves in harm's way to protect the freedoms that all United States citizens cherish; and

WHEREAS, a native of Sparks, Georgia, Staff Sergeant Briand T. Williams was a graduate of Cook High School and was active with the Adel-Cook Recreational Department; and

WHEREAS, he lost his life in combat in Iraq protecting the freedoms that all United States citizens cherish; and

WHEREAS, it is abundantly fitting and proper that the extraordinary accomplishments of this distinguished Georgian be recognized by naming a road in his honor.

PART XXIII

WHEREAS, our nation's security continues to rely on patriotic men and women who put their personal lives on hold in order to place themselves in harm's way to protect the freedoms that all United States citizens cherish; and

WHEREAS, Lieutenant Colonel Charles W. Rowan was born on September 22, 1924, and served as a guardian of this nation's freedom and liberty with the United States Army and the United States Air Force; and

WHEREAS, during his years of service with the United States Army, Lieutenant Colonel Rowan served as a radio operator and bombardier and flew on 24 missions over Germany; and

WHEREAS, Lieutenant Colonel Rowan later joined the United States Air Force to train as a pilot and flew100 missions in the F-80 Shooting Star aircraft during the Korean War; and

WHEREAS, he served as a Forward Air Controller during the Vietnam War and flew 135 missions in the O-35 aircraft before retiring with 26 years of service; and

WHEREAS, Lieutenant Colonel Rowan demonstrated a deep personal commitment to protecting democracy and dedicated his life to ensuring the well-being of his fellow man; and

WHEREAS, it is important that men and women of the armed forces are thanked for their selfless service to this nation and honored for their unyielding commitment to protecting the people and ideals of the United States; and

WHEREAS, Lieutenant Colonel Rowan embodied the spirit of service and found meaning in something greater than himself, and it is abundantly fitting and proper that the sacrifice of this remarkable and distinguished American be honored appropriately.

PART XXIV

WHEREAS, Middle and South Georgia are among the few areas remaining in the United States where there are miles of rural landscape, historic small towns, and abundant agricultural operations; and

WHEREAS, the promotion of agri-tourism represents a readily available and effective tool with which to spur economic development; and

WHEREAS, the portions of highways to be included in the Georgia Grown Trail wind through miles of family owned farms; pristine hunting plantations and unique lodging; u-pick farms, farm stands, and hands-on educational farm experiences; farm-to-table restaurants and establishments dedicated to preserving and sharing local recipes, traditions, and crops and farming techniques; and

WHEREAS, dedication of this route as a scenic highway will promote economic well-being through agri-tourism.

PART XXV

WHEREAS, Honorable Emma Gresham has long been recognized by the citizens of this state for the vital role that she has played in leadership and her deep personal commitment to the welfare of the citizens of Georgia; and

WHEREAS, she diligently and conscientiously devoted over two decades of her time, talents, and energy to improving the lives of her neighbors as mayor of the Town of Keysville; and

WHEREAS, Mayor Gresham was born in 1925 in Reidsville, Georgia, the beloved daughter of Reverend Marvin B. Rhodes, an African Methodist Episcopal pastor and teacher, and Ida Rhodes, a church missionary and Sunday school teacher; and

WHEREAS, a graduate of Boggs Academy, Mayor Gresham devoted 32 years to challenging and inspiring the future leaders of this state as an educator in Augusta, teaching second grade and mentally challenged students; and

WHEREAS, in the early 1980's, she became involved with Keysville Concerned Citizens, a group seeking better living conditions for the community, and through her work with this group, Mayor Gresham learned that Keysville had been registered as a town and incorporated, yet had not had official leadership in 55 years; and

WHEREAS, determined to improve the lives of her neighbors through public service, Mayor Gresham was elected mayor in 1985, but due to a loophole in the town's charter which prevented an official election, Mayor Gresham served as mayor for only five hours; and

WHEREAS, after several years of community outreach, legal battles, and two Supreme Court cases, Keysville held an election for mayor in 1988, and Mayor Gresham was again recognized by the people as the most fitting person to lead; and

WHEREAS, located 25 miles south of Augusta in Burke County, Keysville is home to an unofficial population of 319 and during Mayor Gresham's tenure established a water system, a waste-water treatment plant, city streetlights, and a health facility and earned the title of a Certified Literate Community; and

WHEREAS, it is abundantly fitting and proper that the extraordinary accomplishments of this distinguished woman be recognized by dedicating a road in her honor.

PART XXVI

WHEREAS, our nation's security continues to rely on patriotic men and women who put their personal lives on hold in order to place themselves in harm's way to protect the freedoms that all United States citizens cherish; and

WHEREAS, United States military veterans have demonstrated a deep personal commitment to protecting democracy and a willingness to sacrifice their own personal safety and comfort to ensure the well-being of their fellow man; and

WHEREAS, they have served as guardians of this nation's freedom and liberty and have diligently and conscientiously undergone intensive and rigorous training in order to serve their country with honor and distinction during times of war and peace; and

WHEREAS, it is important that veterans are thanked for their selfless service to this nation and honored for their unyielding commitment to protecting the people and ideals of the United States; and

WHEREAS, veterans embody the spirit of service, willing to find meaning in something greater than themselves, and it is abundantly fitting and proper that the outstanding accomplishments and sacrifices of these remarkable and distinguished Americans be honored appropriately.

PART XXVII

WHEREAS, Lieutenant General Robert E. Gray was an outstanding member and leader in the United States Army; and

WHEREAS, he served as a guardian of this nation's freedom and liberty throughout his three decades of military service and was the first African American commander of Fort Gordon, the first African American commander of the 35th Signal Brigade, the first African American commander of the 82nd Signal Battalion, and the first Signal general officer to serve as the chief of staff and deputy commander of U. S. Army Europe; and

WHEREAS, Lieutenant General Gray's drive and determination led the way for the troops under his command; and

WHEREAS, Lieutenant General Gray commanded the Signal Center of Excellence and Fort Gordon from August 1991 until July 1994 and was instrumental in managing the base expansion with the arrival of new units after the first Persian Gulf War during the nation's Base Realignment and Closure initiatives; and

WHEREAS, after his retirement, Lieutenant General Gray continued to serve the CSRA community and was deeply engaged in supporting community initiatives and projects; and

WHEREAS, he gave inspiration to many through his high ideals, morals, and deep concern for his fellow citizens, and the devotion, patience, and understanding he demonstrated to his family and friends were admired by others; and

WHEREAS, he was a person of magnanimous strengths with an unimpeachable reputation for integrity, intelligence, fairness, and kindness and, by the example he made of his life, he made this world a better place in which to live; and

WHEREAS, it is fitting and proper to dedicate the bridge at Interstate 20 and Lewiston Road in Columbia County as the Lieutenant General Robert E. Gray Memorial Bridge as an appropriate tribute to this outstanding man.

PART XXVIII

WHEREAS, Mr. Robert K. Ballew has long been recognized by the citizens of this state for the vital role that he played in leadership and his deep personal commitment to the welfare of the citizens of Georgia, and his passing left a void in the hearts of his family, friends, and neighbors; and

WHEREAS, Mr. Ballew was born on March 1, 1926, in Copperhill, Tennessee, the beloved son of the late Robert Fulton Ballew and Helen King Ballew; and

WHEREAS, he served as a guardian of this nation's freedom and liberty with the United States Army Air Force and was a long-time member of the Blue Ridge United Methodist Church; and

WHEREAS, Mr. Ballew practiced law in Blue Ridge, Georgia, for more than 55 years, opening his own practice on April 1, 1953, and serving as the attorney for an electric company for a number of years; and

WHEREAS, he gave inspiration to many through his high ideals, morals, and deep concern for his fellow citizens; and

WHEREAS, Mr. Ballew was a person of magnanimous strengths with an unimpeachable reputation for integrity, intelligence, fairness, and kindness who brought joy and happiness to his many friends, neighbors, and family members; and

WHEREAS, a dedicated community leader, Mr. Ballew served as mayor of Blue Ridge and a senator with the Georgia General Assembly and was a 32 degree Mason and Member of the Shrine; and

WHEREAS, it is abundantly fitting and proper that the extraordinary life of this distinguished Georgian be appropriately recognized by dedicating a bridge in his memory.

PART XXIX

WHEREAS, the State of Georgia lost one of its finest citizens and leaders with the passing of Mr. George Duke Beasley; and

WHEREAS, Mr. Beasley was born on January 19, 1922, in Indianapolis, and he and his two brothers were raised by their mother, Emma Ruth Vance Beasley; and

WHEREAS, he graduated with honors from Crispus Attucks High School, where he served as captain of the school's basketball team, and attended North Carolina Agricultural and Technical State University; and

WHEREAS, Mr. Beasley served as a guardian of this nation's freedom and liberty with the United States Armed Forces, valiantly and courageously defending his fellow Americans during World War II; and

WHEREAS, in addition to his service during World War II, Mr. Beasley served in five military campaigns and was recognized with honors such as the Purple Heart and the U.S. Army Soldier's Medal of Valor for saving the life of a fellow soldier while risking his own; and

WHEREAS, he earned a bachelor's degree from Wilberforce University, where he joined Kappa Alpha Psi Fraternity and was active in the Students for Democratic Action Committee, and a master's degree from Indiana University; and

WHEREAS, a dedicated public servant, Mr. Beasley served as claims director for the Indiana Employment Security Division, Northeast Regional Director and Director of the State Regional Offices for the Ohio Civil Rights Commission, Deputy District Director of the Equal Employment Opportunity Commission, and the head administrator for the Georgia Office of Fair Employment Practices; and

WHEREAS, Mr. Beasley exhibited extraordinary devotion to duty, outstanding loyalty, fine leadership, and meticulous attention to detail in all his duties, and it is abundantly fitting and proper that a road be dedicated in his honor.

PART XXX

WHEREAS, our nation's security continues to rely on patriotic men and women who put their personal lives on hold in order to place themselves in harm's way to protect the freedoms that all United States citizens cherish; and

WHEREAS, Mr. Charles Elvin Hickox demonstrated a deep personal commitment to protecting democracy and a willingness to sacrifice his own personal safety and comfort to ensure the well-being of his fellow man; and

WHEREAS, he served as guardian of this nation's freedom and liberty with the United States military; and

WHEREAS, it is important that veterans are thanked for their selfless service to this nation and honored for their unyielding commitment to protecting the people and ideals of the United States; and

WHEREAS, Mr. Hickox embodied the spirit of service and was willing to find meaning in something greater than himself, and it is abundantly fitting and proper that the outstanding accomplishments and sacrifices of this remarkable and distinguished American be honored appropriately.

PART XXXI

WHEREAS, often called "Mr. Wid," Mr. William Eugene Bone was a talented builder whose legacy stands tribute throughout Taylor County, Georgia, with numerous homes and historic buildings; and

WHEREAS, Mr. Bone's work throughout the county is exemplified by buildings such as the Hugh Cheek home in Butler, the Garrett home in Charing, the Charing post office, and the Cooper home in Rupert, all which were built from 1911 to 1914; and

WHEREAS, he is said to have built the first bridge that crossed Whitewater Creek at a time when automobiles started traveling the route when it was a mere dust trail; and

WHEREAS, it is abundantly fitting and proper that the extraordinary life of this distinguished Georgian be appropriately recognized by dedicating a bridge in his memory.

PART XXXII

WHEREAS, Mr. J. Ran Cooper was a leader of the Taylor County community and the way he lived his life stands as an example and inspiration to others; and

WHEREAS, Mr. Cooper's leadership and guidance were instrumental to the Taylor County Board of Commissioners as chairperson, and he promoted the paving of more county roads during his tenure with the board than had ever been accomplished before; and

WHEREAS, he built a country store where he sold groceries and gasoline and had a bus route during World War II to provide employees of Warner Robins Air Force Base with transportation between home and work; and

WHEREAS, Mr. Cooper started Cooper Construction Company in the 1940's and he was a lifetime member and steward of Sand Bethel Methodist Church; and

WHEREAS, it is abundantly fitting and proper that the extraordinary life of this distinguished Georgian be appropriately recognized by dedicating a bridge in his memory.

PART XXXIII

WHEREAS, Mr. Reginald S. Carter, Sr., was recognized by the citizens of this state for the vital role that he played in leadership and his deep personal commitment to the welfare of the citizens of Georgia; and

WHEREAS, he served as a guardian of this nation's freedom and liberty with the United States Armed Forces for over 25 years during World War II and the Vietnam War; and

WHEREAS, Mr. Carter diligently and conscientiously devoted innumerable hours of his time, talents, and energy toward the betterment of his community and state as evidenced dramatically by his superlative service with the Taylor County Board of Education and the Tax Assessors Board; and

WHEREAS, he was a person of magnanimous strengths with an unimpeachable reputation for integrity, intelligence, fairness, and kindness; and

WHEREAS, it is abundantly fitting and proper that the extraordinary life of this distinguished Georgian be appropriately recognized by dedicating a bridge in his memory.

PART XXXIV

WHEREAS, Rettie and Ewiel E. Hice, Sr., played vital roles in leadership and demonstrated great commitment to improving the welfare of the citizens of Georgia; and

WHEREAS, Mr. and Mrs. Hice diligently and conscientiously devoted innumerable hours of their time, talents, and energy toward the betterment of their community and state; and

WHEREAS, it is abundantly fitting and proper that the outstanding accomplishments of these remarkable and distinguished Georgians be recognized by dedicating a bridge in their memory.

PART XXXV

WHEREAS, the State of Georgia lost one of its finest citizens and most dedicated law enforcement officers with the passing of Mr. William T. "Boss" Mull; and

WHEREAS, Chief Mull served as police chief of the McCaysville Police Department for 11 years and dedicated 46 years to protecting and serving the citizens of Georgia as a member of law enforcement; and

WHEREAS, Chief Mull tragically lost his life while apprehending a fugitive in Coletown, Georgia; and

WHEREAS, it is abundantly fitting and proper to dedicate a bridge in his honor.

PART XXXVI

WHEREAS, our nation's security continues to rely on patriotic men and women who put their personal lives on hold in order to place themselves in harm's way to protect the freedoms that all United States citizens cherish; and

WHEREAS, a native of Douglas County, Georgia, Private First Class Melvin Johnson was born on February 16, 1949, the beloved son of Loren Johnson; and

WHEREAS, Private First Class Johnson was a loving brother to his siblings, Willie, Tony, and Vicki; and

WHEREAS, a graduate of R.L. Cousins High School in 1966, Private First Class Johnson became an infantry soldier with the United States Armed Forces in November, 1968; and

WHEREAS, he lost his life in combat protecting the freedoms that all United States citizens cherish in Binh Duong Province, South Vietnam; and

WHEREAS, Private First Class Johnson was the first African American soldier from Douglasville, Georgia, to die in Vietnam and was the second fallen soldier from Douglas County; and

WHEREAS, it is abundantly fitting and proper that the extraordinary accomplishments of this distinguished Georgian be recognized by naming a bridge in his honor.

PART XXXVII

WHEREAS, our nation's security continues to rely on patriotic men and women who put their personal lives on hold in order to place themselves in harm's way to protect the freedoms that all United States citizens cherish; and

WHEREAS, Colonel Lynn "L.E." Witt, Jr., served as a guardian of this nation's freedom and liberty with the United States Army Air Corps and served as a fighter squadron leader in the Allied campaign to take back Japanese held islands in the southwest pacific during World War II; and

WHEREAS, he logged 905 combat hours and flew 326 combat missions, more missions than any other American pilot during World War II, and received a Distinguished Service Cross for sinking a Japanese destroyer using only his plane's guns; and

WHEREAS, Colonel Witt was also recognized with the Silver Star, the Air Medal with eight oak leaf clusters, the American Campaign medal, the Asiatic Pacific Campaign Medal with one Silver Star, three Bronze Stars, the World War II Victory Medal, the Philippine Liberation Ribbon, and the Philippine Independence Ribbon; and

WHEREAS, during his 30 year career with the military, Colonel Witt spent five at Robins Air Force Base as Head of Air Force Recruiting; and

WHEREAS, Colonel Witt embodied the spirit of service, willing to find meaning in something greater than himself, and it is abundantly fitting and proper that the outstanding accomplishments and sacrifices of this remarkable and distinguished American be honored appropriately.

PART XXXVIII

WHEREAS, the State of Georgia lost one of its finest citizens and most dedicated public servants and leaders with the passing of Mr. Joe E. Brown in 1985; and

WHEREAS, Mr. Brown's leadership began in Liberty County where he was an active member of the Boy Scouts of America program and was the county's first Boy Scout to obtain the prestigious Eagle Scout ranking; and

WHEREAS, he served as a guardian of this nation's freedom and liberty with the United States Armed Forces and the United States National Guard, retiring from service with the rank of Lieutenant Colonel; and

WHEREAS, Mr. Brown began his career as a public servant in 1946 with the Georgia Department of Transportation and dedicated 34 years to the department, retiring in 1979 as a Right of Way Engineer; and

WHEREAS, after his retirement, Mr. Brown was elected to the Georgia House of Representatives, where he served on the retirement, industry, and defense and veteran's affairs committees and earned a reputation as a skillful and concerned legislator; and

WHEREAS, Mr. Brown exhibited extraordinary devotion to duty, outstanding loyalty, fine leadership, and meticulous attention to detail in all his duties and it is abundantly fitting and proper that a road be dedicated in his honor.

PART XXXIX

WHEREAS, the Watters District area and the Shannon community represent one of the original and most concentrated industrial areas of unincorporated Floyd County in Georgia; and

WHEREAS, around the time of the Civil War, Mr. Shannon migrated to northeast Floyd County and established a large commercial sawmill alongside the railroad north of Rome; and

WHEREAS, as a result of Mr. Shannon's sawmill, the area became known as Shannon, and later, the area was home to the Brighton Cotton Mill, Floyd County's largest employer with more than 1,500 employees; and

WHEREAS, the Shannon community is now home to a Lowe's Distribution Center and two county owned industrial parks; and

WHEREAS, it is abundantly fitting and proper that a road be dedicated in honor of this important and historical industrial area.

PART XL

WHEREAS, Mr. Jack Collin Lance, Sr., has long been recognized by the citizens of this state for the vital role that he played in leadership and his deep personal commitment to the welfare of the citizens of Georgia, and his passing left a void in the hearts of his family, friends, and neighbors; and

WHEREAS, Mr. Lance was born on January 27, 1937, in Murphy, North Carolina, and was raised on his family's farm located on Murphy Highway which has been in the Lance family since 1860; and

WHEREAS, he was among the first young men to receive the Eagle Scout ranking in Union County; and

WHEREAS, upon graduating from Union County High School, Mr. Lance gained acceptance in Young Harris College, where he earned a position on the basketball team after receiving recognition for scoring more than 2,000 points at Union County High School; and

WHEREAS, he served as a guardian of this nation's freedom and liberty with the United States Armed Forces and graduated from the University of Georgia School of Pharmacy; and

WHEREAS, upon his graduation from pharmacy school, Mr. Lance founded the Hill Lance Drugs store which he operated for more than 30 years until his retirement; and

WHEREAS, a community leader, Mr. Lance founded the Union County Recreational Department and was a member of the boards for Union County Recreation, United Community Bank, Blue Ridge Mountain EMC, and Union County Historical Society; and

WHEREAS, he gave inspiration to many through his high ideals, morals, and deep concern for his fellow citizens; and

WHEREAS, it is abundantly fitting and proper that the extraordinary life of this distinguished Georgian be appropriately recognized by renaming a road in his memory.

PART XLI

WHEREAS, the State of Georgia lost one of its finest citizens and most dedicated law enforcement officers with the passing of Captain Larry S. Simmons on August 30, 2004; and

WHEREAS, Captain Simmons attended the 37th Trooper School, was assigned to service in North Georgia, and worked at the training division where he rose to the rank of captain in 1994; and

WHEREAS, known affectionately as "Big Larry," Captain Simmons is remembered fondly by the numerous men and women he trained; and

WHEREAS, Captain Simmons exhibited extraordinary devotion to duty, outstanding loyalty, fine leadership, and meticulous attention to detail in all his duties.

PART XLII

WHEREAS, Dr. M. Bobbie Bailey has long been recognized by the citizens of this state for the vital role that she has played in leadership and her deep personal commitment to the welfare of the citizens of Georgia; and

WHEREAS, a pioneer and icon of the Atlanta community, Dr. Bailey is a noted philanthropist, businesswoman, board member, and executive producer; and

WHEREAS, Dr. Bailey began tuning race cars at the age of 12, an interest in mechanics that she further honed during World War II as she worked for a company that refabricated refrigeration compressors; and

WHEREAS, in 1960 she began her own company, Our-Way, Inc., which was recognized in 1983 as one of the Top 100 Companies by *Business Atlanta* and where she served as chief executive officer for over 50 years; and

WHEREAS, an avid music lover, Dr. Bailey became a member of the National Academy of Recording Arts and Sciences in 1972, serves as president of the Friends of Georgia Music Festival and executive producer of the Georgia Music Hall of Fame Awards Show, was inducted into the Music Hall of Fame in 2007, and is a proud supporter of music education through scholarships at Kennesaw State University and Georgia State University; and

WHEREAS, Dr. Bailey has sponsored numerous national title winning fast pitch softball teams, endowed the Bobbie Bailey Athletic Complex at Kennesaw State University, and has been inducted into the Kennesaw State University Athletic Hall of Fame; and

WHEREAS, her philanthropy continues into the field of medicine, where she has supported several major projects at DeKalb Medical which have led to the naming of the facility's diagnostic imaging center for her and her sister, Audrey B. Morgan, and the Dr. Bobbie Bailey Tower which houses the surgery and women's center; and

WHEREAS, it is abundantly fitting and proper that the extraordinary accomplishments of this distinguished Georgian be appropriately recognized by the naming of an interchange in her honor.

PART XLIII

WHEREAS, Mr. Edward W. "Kip" Klein III has long been recognized by the citizens of this state for the vital role that he played in leadership and his deep personal commitment to the welfare of the citizens of Georgia; and

WHEREAS, after graduating cum laude from the University of Virginia, Mr. Klein earned a law degree from the University of Georgia where he joined the gridiron society and studied at the Hague International Academy of International Law; and

WHEREAS, a native of Atlanta, Mr. Klein practiced family law in Marietta and received the Angels in Adoption award for the State of Georgia in 2000 for his dedicated work to helping families through the adoption process; and

WHEREAS, he ably and adeptly served his constituents and the State of Georgia as a Representative for three terms beginning with his election in 1990; and

WHEREAS, a community leader, Mr. Klein was chosen to be the envoy to Kuwait for the Atlanta Olympic Committee and to interact on a good will mission on behalf of the state in the European Parliament by the European Community Visitors Programme; and

WHEREAS, it is abundantly fitting and proper that the outstanding accomplishments of this remarkable and distinguished Georgian be appropriately recognized with the dedicating of a road in his honor.

PART XLIV

WHEREAS, the State of Georgia lost one of its finest citizens and leaders with the passing of Mr. Billy Alonzo Johnson; and

WHEREAS, Mr. Johnson was born on March 7, 1925, in Emanuel County, Georgia, and graduated from Swainsboro High and Industrial School; and

WHEREAS, he attended Savannah State College, Tuskegee Institute, and Georgia Southern College and served as a guardian of this nation's freedom and liberty with the United States Navy, valiantly and courageously defending his fellow Americans during World War II; and

WHEREAS, Mr. Johnson inspired and challenged the future leaders of this state as an educator with the Jefferson, Screven, Laurens, and Emanuel counties school systems and retired in 1981 after 35 years of dedicated service; and

WHEREAS, a man of deep and abiding faith, Mr. Johnson was an active member of Piney Grove Missionary Baptist Church, where he served as a deacon and chairman of the trustee board; and

WHEREAS, he served as mayor of the City of Wadley for 17 years, until his passing on May 26, 2001; and

WHEREAS, Mr. Johnson was an active member of the Georgia Association of Educators, National Education Association, Georgia Municipal Association, National Conference of Black Mayors, Kappa Alpha Psi Fraternity, Georgia Coalition for Hunger, and Voter Education Project; and

WHEREAS, Mr. Johnson exhibited extraordinary devotion to duty, outstanding loyalty, fine leadership, and meticulous attention to detail in all his duties, and it is abundantly fitting and proper that a road be dedicated in his honor.

PART XLV

WHEREAS, our nation's security continues to rely on patriotic men and women who put their personal lives on hold in order to place themselves in harm's way to protect the freedoms that all United States citizens cherish; and

WHEREAS, P.F.C. Michael Lee Dotson demonstrated a deep personal commitment to protecting democracy and a willingness to sacrifice his own personal safety and comfort to ensure the well-being of his fellow man; and

WHEREAS, he served as guardian of this nation's freedom and liberty with the United States Armed Forces, valiantly and courageously defending his fellow Americans during the Vietnam War; and

WHEREAS, P.F.C. Dotson was on night perimeter guard when his company began receiving enemy mortar arms fire, and he was quick to react by running to each position along the lines to ensure that every man was awake and ready for battle; and

WHEREAS, he tragically lost his life when a mortar round landed near his position, and in honor of his heroism, he was awarded a Gold Star and the Purple Heart; and

WHEREAS, P.F.C. Dotson embodied the spirit of service and was willing to find meaning in something greater than himself, and it is abundantly fitting and proper that the outstanding accomplishments and sacrifices of this remarkable and distinguished American be honored appropriately.

PART XLVI

WHEREAS, Marquis Deon Grissom was born in Atlanta, Georgia, and attended Lakeshore High School where he excelled in baseball; and

WHEREAS, he went on to play for Florida A&M University, and in 1988 he was selected by the Montreal Expos where he worked as a position player; and

WHEREAS, Grissom was ultimately traded to the Atlanta Braves, and in his first season they won the World Series with Grissom securing the final out by catching a fly ball; and

WHEREAS, he played his final major league years with the San Francisco Giants, who dubbed him a "class act" and a "clubhouse" leader, and in 2003 he won the Willie Mac Award for his spirit and leadership; and

WHEREAS, Grissom retired in March, 2006, after a successful 17 year career and currently resides in College Park, Georgia; and

WHEREAS, he was hired to become the Washington Nationals first base coach for the 2009 season in October, 2008; and

WHEREAS, Marquis Grissom leads by example both on and off the field; he sponsors six Little League teams and assists in funding a home school that provides food and shelter for children without parents; and

WHEREAS, this magnificent player has earned his well-deserved reputation for excellence by performing with precision and dedication over years of training and competition, and it is abundantly proper to recognize him for his many accomplishments by dedicating a bridge in his honor.

PART XLVII

WHEREAS, Mr. Robert Vernon "Bobby" Sikes served as sheriff of Liberty County for a span of five decades and is highly regarded by the citizens of his community and state and by local government officials as a person of unquestioned integrity and dedication to the sound principles of law enforcement; and

WHEREAS, Mr. Sikes exhibited extraordinary devotion to duty, outstanding loyalty, fine leadership, and meticulous attention to detail in all his duties, and his efficient and effective commitment to excellence was continually recognized by his peers; and

WHEREAS, he has been united in love and marriage to his wife, Lynn, for 63 wonderful years, and they have been blessed with three wonderful sons, Robert, Steven, and Edward; and

WHEREAS, it is abundantly fitting and proper that the members of this body show their gratitude for the unique and often unheralded contributions of Mr. Sikes and all local law enforcement officers by dedicating a road in his honor.

PART XLVIII

WHEREAS, Mr. Orace Lamar "Red" Brooks was a Wilkinson County native who was instrumental in the development of the City of Ivey and the Holiday Hills Lake Tchukolako subdivision; and

WHEREAS, Mr. Brooks was instrumental in the incorporation of the town of Ivey during the 1950s, which led to the area's cityhood in the 1980s; and

WHEREAS, he diligently and conscientiously devoted innumerable hours of his time, talents, and energy toward the betterment of his community and state as evidenced dramatically by his superlative service as a city councilmember for 26 years; and

WHEREAS, Mr. Brooks was a philanthropist with a generosity of spirit, donating land to the City of Ivey to be used for a city hall and turning over his water system to be used by the city; and

WHEREAS, a man of deep and abiding faith, Mr. Brooks and his wife, Gladys, were charter members of Ivey Baptist Church, donated the land for the church, and served as Sunday school teachers; and

WHEREAS, it is abundantly fitting and proper that the extraordinary accomplishments of this distinguished Georgian be recognized by dedicating a bridge in his honor.

PART XLIX

WHEREAS, Reverend G. L. Avery demonstrated his commitment to teaching the Gospel, witnessing Christ through word and deed, and addressing the physical, psychological, intellectual, and spiritual needs of others; and

WHEREAS, a native of Wilkes County, Reverend Avery was the beloved son of the late Roy and Eula King Avery and was married to the late Margaret Martin Avery; and

WHEREAS, a civil rights leader, Reverend Avery was one of the founders and organizers of the Wilkes County branch of the NAACP and served as branch president for more than 50 years; and

WHEREAS, he was instrumental in working with city and school leaders through the integration of schools during the 1970s and served as coordinator of the First District of the Georgia State NAACP and as a member of the State NAACP executive board; and

WHEREAS, Reverend Avery diligently and conscientiously devoted innumerable hours of his time, talents, and energy toward the betterment of his community and state as evidenced dramatically by his superlative service for 12 years on the Washington City Council; and

WHEREAS, he led the White Rock Baptist Church in Rayle and the Union Spring Missionary Baptist Church in Norwood and served as moderator of the Third Shiloh Missionary Baptist Association of Wilkes County with 14 churches and the Fourth Shiloh Missionary Baptist Association of Warren, McDuffie, Hancock, and Columbia counties with ten churches; and

WHEREAS, the unmatched spiritual assistance offered by Reverend Avery was a source of strength and direction for persons in all walks of life and from all economic strata; and

WHEREAS, it is abundantly fitting and proper that this enduring example of God's message of peace and love be recognized by dedicating a road in his memory.

PART L

WHEREAS, Mr. Thomas Watson Cullars has long been recognized by the citizens of this state for the vital role that he played in leadership and his deep personal commitment to the welfare of the citizens of Georgia, and his passing left a void in the hearts of his family, friends, and neighbors; and

WHEREAS, Mr. Cullars was one of the largest land owners in Lincoln County and was a logger by trade; and

WHEREAS, he gave inspiration to many through his high ideals, morals, and deep concern for his fellow citizens, supporting the local community by providing food and clothing to the less fortunate; and

WHEREAS, Mr. Cullars was a person of magnanimous strengths with an unimpeachable reputation for integrity, intelligence, fairness, and kindness who brought joy and happiness to his many friends, neighbors, and family members; and

WHEREAS, a dedicated community leader, Mr. Cullars served for many years on the Lincoln County Board of Education; and

WHEREAS, it is abundantly fitting and proper that the extraordinary life of this distinguished Georgian be appropriately recognized by dedicating a road in his memory.

PART LI

WHEREAS, Mr. Otis A. Brumby, Jr., long-time publisher of the *Marietta Daily Journal*, passed away at the age of 72; and

WHEREAS, the Marietta resident, one of Cobb's best-known native sons, had a family pedigree that stretched back generations in the county, and he made a name for himself as a prominent businessman and journalist who grew a small local paper into a thriving conglomerate during a time when Atlanta's suburbs were beginning to expand; and

WHEREAS, he was a force in local politics as well, using his newspaper to promote his vision of progress in Marietta, Cobb County, and this state; and working behind the scenes, Mr. Brumby influenced decades of important decisions in Cobb County that drove residential and commercial development and turned the county into a magnet for establishments of higher learning, such as Kennesaw State University; and

WHEREAS, Mr. Brumby got his start in the newspaper business at the *Marietta Daily Journal*, working for his father and namesake as an assistant to the publisher in 1965 and becoming publisher years later, and in 1969 he started the Neighbor Group of weekly community newspapers, growing the company into a collection of 24 newspapers, two magazines, six websites, and a weekly circulation of 375,000; and

WHEREAS, former Governor Roy Barnes, another Cobb County luminary who appointed Mr. Brumby to the State Board of Education, stated, "Otis was a giant in our community, he was a giant in our state, and we will miss him deeply. He was the epitome of public service"; and

WHEREAS, in addition to his newspaper work and his service on the State Board of Education, Mr. Brumby also served on the State Transportation Board and the Marietta School Board; and in 1991 he became the fifth president of the Brumby Chair Company, which was co-founded in 1875 by his grandfather and has graced porches nationwide, including at the White House, with the world famous Brumby Rocker, thus reclaiming family control of the company; the next year he opened a showroom on the square in downtown Marietta; and

WHEREAS, Mr. Brumby is survived by his wife, Martha Lee; daughters, Spain, Lee, Betsy, and Anna; son, Otis III; and 11 grandchildren.

PART LII

WHEREAS, our nation's security continues to rely on patriotic men and women who put their personal lives on hold in order to place themselves in harm's way to protect the freedoms that all United States citizens cherish; and

WHEREAS, P.F.C. Roger Eugene Dorsey demonstrated a deep personal commitment to protecting democracy and a willingness to sacrifice his own personal safety and comfort to ensure the well-being of his fellow man; and

WHEREAS, he served as a guardian of this nation's freedom and liberty with the United States Navy during the Vietnam War on the aircraft carrier *Intrepid* as an E-4 and worked on the aircraft departing and coming from Vietnam; and

WHEREAS, he later graduated with his business degree from the University of Tennessee and was owner and operator of the Lil Pig Convenience Store in Rossville for 22 years;

WHEREAS, a community leader, P.F.C. Dorsey was a proud member of the VFW Post #3679; and

WHEREAS, P.F.C. Dorsey was awarded the Republic of Vietnam Campaign Medal and the National Defense Service Medal; and

WHEREAS, P.F.C. Dorsey embodied the spirit of service and found meaning in something greater than himself, and it is abundantly fitting and proper that the sacrifice of this remarkable and distinguished American be honored appropriately.

PART LIII

WHEREAS, Friendship Road in Hall County was recently widened, and the project included new realignment for the road.

PART LIV

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED AND ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF GEORGIA that the portion of State Route 112 from Rebecca to Ashburn in Turner County is dedicated as the Major Henry Talmage Elrod Memorial Highway.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED AND ENACTED that this body hereby joins in honoring military veterans and dedicates the portion U.S. Highway 19 from its intersection with the north Lee County line to its intersection with the south Lee County line as Veterans Memorial Highway.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED AND ENACTED that the intersection of U.S. Route 80 at U.S. 441 Bypass in Laurens County is dedicated as the Tuskegee Airmen Major Herndon Cummings, Colonel John Whitehead, and Colonel Marion Rodgers Intersection.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED AND ENACTED that the portion of Ga. 53 from Mars Hill Road to Union Church Road in Oconee County is dedicated as the Deputy David W. Gilstrap Memorial Highway.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED AND ENACTED that the bridge on U.S. Route 82 over Pachitla Creek in Randolph County is dedicated as the William Riley Curry Bridge.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED AND ENACTED that the bridge on East Hancock Street and Ga. 24 over the Oconee River in Baldwin County is dedicated as the Bobby Parham Bridge.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED AND ENACTED that this body hereby joins in honoring military veterans and dedicates the interchange of I-475 and Thomaston Road in Macon-Bibb County as Veterans of All Wars Interchange.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED AND ENACTED that the portion of State Route 67 in Bulloch County from its intersection with US Highway 301/State Route 73 to the Statesboro East Bypass is dedicated as the McDougald Memorial Parkway.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED AND ENACTED that the portion of Interstate 85 in Troup County from Exit 2 to Exit 18 is dedicated as the Ray C. Anderson Memorial Highway.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED AND ENACTED that the intersection of State Route 237 at Cheshire Bridge in Fulton County is dedicated as the Judge Arthur M. Kaplan Memorial Intersection.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED AND ENACTED that the intersection of Highway 53 and Perimeter Road in Dawsonville is dedicated as the Kenneth Webster Stewart III Memorial Intersection.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED AND ENACTED that the bridge on State Route 53 over the Etowah River in Dawson County is dedicated as the Marcus Byrd Memorial Bridge.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED AND ENACTED that the portion of Ga. 67 in Jenkins County from the southernmost point of the Ogeechee River Bridges to its intersection with Ga. 121 is dedicated as the Albert Sidney "Sid" Newton Memorial Highway.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED AND ENACTED that the portion of Ga. 122 in Lanier County that runs beside Banks Lake from the City of Lakeland to the Lowndes County line is dedicated as the Governor Eurith Dickinson "Ed" Rivers Memorial Highway.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED AND ENACTED that the portion of Ga. 107 from Ga. 90/Ga. 11 in Fitzgerald to U.S. Highway 319 is dedicated as the M.L.K., Jr., Memorial Highway.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED AND ENACTED that the bridge at the intersection of Interstate 75 and Russell Parkway in Peach County is dedicated as the C.H. "Bud" Sledge Memorial Bridge.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED AND ENACTED that the portion of State Route 12/U.S. Route 278 in Newton County from .7 miles south of Interstate Route 20 at Exit 101 to the Walton County line north of Interstate Route 20 is dedicated as the Stanton Springs Parkway.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED AND ENACTED that the bridge on State Route 99 over Interstate 95 in Glynn County is dedicated as the Johnny "Eric" Purvis Memorial Bridge.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED AND ENACTED that the bridge over Patsiliga Creek on State Route 137 near Fickling Mill Dam in Taylor County is dedicated as the Olief Wainwright Memorial Bridge.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED AND ENACTED that the bridge on State Route 85 Alternate over the railroad tracks in the City of Warm Springs in Meriwether County is dedicated as the Eleanor D. Roosevelt Memorial Bridge.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED AND ENACTED that the portion of Interstate 75 where it merges with Interstate 85 at Exit 242 and the portion of Interstate 75 from Exit 250 north to Exit 251 north in Fulton County is dedicated as the Honorable Rodney Mims Cook Memorial Highway.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED AND ENACTED that the portion of State Route 76 in Cook County from 4th Street in Adel to the Brooks County line is dedicated as the United States Army Staff Sergeant Briand T. Williams Memorial Highway.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED AND ENACTED that the portion of Georgia Highway 135 in Berrien County from its intersection with Georgia Highway 76 to Georgia Highway 168 is dedicated as the Lieutenant Colonel Charles W. Rowan Memorial Highway.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED AND ENACTED that the portion of U.S. Route 341 from its intersection with Ga. 74 in Monroe County through Crawford and Peach Counties until it connects with U.S. Route 41 and the portion of U.S. Route 41 from the northernmost point of Houston County to the Florida state line is dedicated as the Georgia Grown Trail: 341/41.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED AND ENACTED that the portion of State Route 88 in the city limits of Keysville in Burke County is dedicated as the Mayor Emma Gresham Highway.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED AND ENACTED that the interchange of Interstate 475 at Bolingbroke in Monroe County is dedicated as the Veterans Memorial Interchange.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the signs dedicating the Veterans Memorial Interchange shall include "Home of the 148th BSB, Deployed to Iraq in 2005 and 2006."

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED AND ENACTED that the bridge at Interstate 20 and Lewiston Road in Columbia County is dedicated as the Lieutenant General Robert E. Gray Memorial Bridge.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED AND ENACTED that the bridge on State Route 515 over the Georgia Northeastern Railroad at milepost 2.4 in Fannin County is dedicated as the Robert K. Ballew Memorial Bridge.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED AND ENACTED that the portion of State Route 92 in southern Fulton County from U.S. Route 29 (Roosevelt Highway) to the Douglas County line is dedicated as the George Duke Beasley Memorial Highway.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED AND ENACTED that the bridge over Big Creek on U.S. 82 .7 miles from Schlatterville and 3.1 miles from Hoboken West in Brantley County is renamed as the Charles E. Hickox Memorial Bridge.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED AND ENACTED that the southbound bridge on State Route 3 over Whitewater Creek in Taylor County is dedicated as the William Eugene Bone Memorial Bridge.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED AND ENACTED that the northbound bridge on State Route 3 over Whitewater Creek in Taylor County is dedicated as the J. Ran Cooper Memorial Bridge.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED AND ENACTED that the southbound bridge on State Route 3 over Cedar Creek in Taylor County is dedicated as the Reginald S. Carter, Sr., Memorial Bridge.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED AND ENACTED that the bridge on State Route 515 over Rock Creek in Gilmer County is dedicated as the Rettie and Ewiel E. Hice, Sr., Memorial Bridge.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED AND ENACTED that the bridge on State Route 5 over the Toccoa River in Fannin County is dedicated as the William T. "Boss" Mull Memorial Bridge.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED AND ENACTED that the bridge on State Route 166 over Anneewakee Creek in Douglas County is dedicated as the Private First Class Melvin Johnson Memorial Bridge.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED AND ENACTED that the portion of State Route 166 in Carroll County from State Route 100 to its intersection with Garrett Circle is dedicated as the Col. L.E. Witt, Jr., Memorial Highway.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED AND ENACTED that the portion of Interstate 95 in Liberty County from exit 76 north to the Bryan County line is dedicated as the Joe E. Brown Memorial Highway.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED AND ENACTED that the corridor of State Route 53 from the Gordon County line to the city limits of Rome is dedicated as the Shannon Industrial Parkway.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED AND ENACTED that the portion of U.S. Route 19 in Union County from its intersection with State Route 515 to the North Carolina line is renamed as the Jack Collin Lance, Sr., Memorial Highway.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED AND ENACTED that the intersection of Ga. 341 and Ga. 193 in Walker County is dedicated as the Captain Larry S. Simmons Memorial Intersection.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED AND ENACTED that the intersection of State Route 236/Hugh Howell Road and Mountain Industrial Boulevard in DeKalb County is dedicated as the Dr. M. Bobbie Bailey Intersection.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED AND ENACTED that the portion of State Route 92 in Cobb County from its intersection with Interstate 75 to the Paulding County line is dedicated as the Kip Klein Memorial Highway.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED AND ENACTED that U.S. Route 1 Bypass in the City of Wadley in Jefferson County is dedicated as the Billy Alonzo Johnson Highway.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED AND ENACTED that the intersection of Ga. 2 and Pine Grove Road in Catoosa County is dedicated as the P.F.C. Michael Lee Dotson Memorial Intersection.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED AND ENACTED that a resolution dedicating certain portions of the state highway system as approved on May 7, 2013 (Ga. L. 2013, p. 951) is amended by repealing the 13th undesignated paragraph of Part XXVIII relating to the dedication of the Lanier Islands Parkway.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED AND ENACTED that the bridge on State Route 14 at the State Route 14 Connector in the Red Oak Community of Fulton County is dedicated as the Marquis Deon Grissom Bridge.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED AND ENACTED that the portion of Interstate 95 in Liberty County from exit 76 to the McIntosh County line is dedicated as the R.V. "Bobby" Sikes Highway.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED AND ENACTED that the bridge on State Route 243 over Beaver Creek in Wilkinson County is dedicated as the O.L. "Red" Brooks Memorial Bridge.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED AND ENACTED that the portion of State Route 44 from the southern city limits along Whitehall and Mercer Streets to the intersection with US 78 (North Pass) is dedicated as the Reverend G. L. Avery Memorial Highway.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED AND ENACTED that the portion of State Route 79 in Lincoln County from the bridge over Soap Creek to the Goshen community is dedicated as the Thomas Watson Cullars Memorial Highway.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED AND ENACTED that the bridge on Canton Connector at exit 267 over Interstate 75 in Cobb County is dedicated as the Otis A. Brumby, Jr., Memorial Bridge.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED AND ENACTED that the intersection of State Route 341 and Mission Ridge Road in Walker County is dedicated as the P.F.C. Roger Eugene Dorsey Memorial Intersection.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED AND ENACTED that the portion of State Route 347 from Interstate 985 east to State Route 211 is dedicated as Friendship Road.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED AND ENACTED that the portion of State Route 347 from its westernmost point on the shores of Lake Lanier east to Interstate 985 is dedicated as Lanier Islands Parkway.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED AND ENACTED that the portion of State Route 211 from Interstate 85 north to State Route 53 is dedicated as Chateau Elan Parkway.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Department of Transportation is authorized and directed to erect and maintain appropriate signs dedicating the road facilities named in this resolution.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED AND ENACTED that the Department of Transportation is authorized and directed to erect and maintain appropriate signs on Interstate 85 and 985 directing traffic to both Lake Lanier Islands Parkway, Chateau Elan Parkway, and Friendship Road.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Clerk of the House of is authorized and directed to transmit appropriate copies of this resolution to the Department of Transportation, to the families of Major Henry Talmage Elrod; Tuskegee Airmen Major Herndon Cummings, Colonel John Whitehead, and Colonel Marion Rodgers; Deputy David W. Gilstrap; Mr. William Riley Curry; Mr. Ray C. Anderson; Judge Arthur M. Kaplan; Kenneth Webster Stewart, III; Mr. Marcus Byrd; Mr. Albert Sidney "Sid" Newton; Governor Eurith Dickinson "Ed" Rivers; Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr.; Mr. Carlton Harmon "Bud" Sledge; Mr. Johnny "Eric" Purvis; Mr. Olief Wainwright; Mrs. Eleanor D. Roosevelt; Mr. Rodney Mims Cook; United States Army Staff Sergeant Briand T. Williams; Lieutenant Colonel Charles W. Rowan; Lieutenant General Robert E. Gray; Mr. Robert K. Ballew; Mr. George Duke Beasley; Charles E. Hickox; Mr. William Eugene Bone; Mr. J. Ran Cooper; Mr. Reginald S. Carter, Sr.; Rettie and Ewiel E. Hice, Sr.; Mr. William T. "Boss" Mull; Private First Class Melvin Johnson; Colonel Lynn "L.E." Witt, Jr.; Mr. Joe E. Brown; Mr. Jack Collin Lance, Sr.; Captain Larry S. Simmons; Mr. Edward W. "Kip" Klein III; Mr. Billy Alonzo Johnson; Private First Class Michael Lee Dotson; Mr. Orace Lamar "Red" Brooks; Reverend G. L. Avery; Mr. Thomas Watson Cullars; Mr. Otis A. Brumby, Jr.; and P.F.C. Roger Eugene Dorsey; and to Mr. Bobby Eugene Parham; the McDougald family; Mayor Emma Gresham; the Shannon Industrial Parkway Committee; Dr. M. Bobbie Bailey; Mr. Marquis Deon Grissom; and Mr. Robert Vernon "Bobby" Sikes.

Representative Roberts of the 155th moved that the House agree to the Senate substitute to HR 1544.

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

Y Abrams	Y Coomer	N Gregory	Y McCall	Y Sims, C
Y Alexander	Y Cooper	E Hamilton	Y McClain	E Smith, E
Y Allison	Y Dawkins-Haigler	Y Harbin	Y Meadows	Y Smith, L
Y Anderson	Y Deffenbaugh	Y Harden	Mitchell	E Smith, M
Y Atwood	Y Dempsey	Y Harrell	N Moore	Y Smith, R
Y Ballinger	Y Dickerson	Y Hatchett	Morgan	Y Smyre

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

On the motion, the ayes were 154, nays 2.

The motion prevailed.

HB 737. By Representatives Harrell of the 106th, Spencer of the 180th, Powell of the 32nd and Mitchell of the 88th:

A BILL to be entitled an Act to amend Chapter 5 of Title 3 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to malt beverages, so as to allow malt beverages produced in private residences to be transported to other locations and consumed by the producer and other individuals; to clarify certain provisions relating to the duties of a local governing authority desiring to allow home-brew special events to be conducted within its jurisdiction; to provide for related matters; to repeal conflicting laws; and for other purposes.

The following Senate substitute was read:

A BILL TO BE ENTITLED
AN ACT

To amend Title 3 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to alcoholic beverages, so as to change certain provisions relative to the regulation of alcoholic beverages; to repeal and reserve Code Section 3-3-24.1, relating to a definition and a penalty; to allow certain quantities of malt beverages produced in private residences to be transported to locations other than those at which home-brew special events are being held; to clarify certain provisions relating to the duties of a local governing authority desiring to allow home-brew special events to be conducted within its jurisdiction; to provide for related matters; to repeal conflicting laws; and for other purposes.

BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF GEORGIA:

SECTION 1.

Title 3 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to alcoholic beverages, is amended by repealing and reserving Code Section 3-3-24.1, relating to a definition and penalty, as follows:

"3-3-24.1.

~~(a) For purposes of this Code section, the term 'business establishment primarily engaged in the retail sale of alcoholic beverages in unbroken packages' means an individual, partnership, corporation, association, or other business entity which derives from its retail sale of alcoholic beverages in unbroken packages at least 75 percent of its total annual gross income.~~

~~(b) Reserved.~~

~~(c) Any person violating this Code section shall be guilty of a misdemeanor, except that the violation of this Code section by a person under 17 years of age shall constitute a delinquent act under Chapter 11 of Title 15 and not a misdemeanor~~ Reserved."

SECTION 2.

Said title is further amended by revising Code Section 3-5-4, relating to production of malt beverages in private residences, consumption, and home-brew special events, as follows:

"3-5-4.

(a)(1) Malt beverages may be produced by a person in his or her private residence subject to the limitations provided in this Code section.

(2) The total quantity of malt beverages that may be produced in any private residence shall be as follows:

(A) Not more than 100 gallons per calendar year if there is only one person of legal drinking age living in such residence; or

(B) Not more than 200 gallons per calendar year if there are two or more persons of legal drinking age living in such residence;

provided, however, that no more than 50 gallons shall be produced in a 90 day period.

(b) Except as provided for in ~~subsection~~ subsections (d) and (e) of this Code section, malt beverages produced in compliance with this Code section may only be consumed

at the residence where produced. ~~and~~ Such malt beverages may only be consumed by persons of legal drinking age.

(c) Malt beverages produced under the provisions of this Code section may be removed from the residence where produced for transportation and delivery by the producer for use at home-brew special events in a quantity not to exceed 25 gallons, provided that such malt beverages are securely sealed in one or more containers and clearly labeled with the following information:

(1) The name of the producer;

(2) The address of the residence at which it was produced;

(3) The name and address of the home-brew special event to which it is being transported; and

(4) The permit number under which the home-brew special event is being held.

If transported in a motor vehicle, the securely sealed containers shall be placed in a locked glove compartment, a locked trunk, or the area behind the last upright seat of a motor vehicle that is not equipped with a trunk.

(d) Malt beverages produced under the provisions of this Code section may be removed from the residence where produced for transportation and delivery by the producer to a location not licensed under this title and for which a permit has not been issued pursuant to subsection (e) of this Code section; provided that not more than 128 ounces of such malt beverages produced in the same residence shall be transported at one time; and provided, further, that such malt beverages shall be securely sealed in one or more containers and clearly labeled with the following information:

(1) The name of the producer; and

(2) The address of the residence at which it was produced.

If transported in a motor vehicle, the securely sealed containers shall be placed in a locked glove compartment, a locked trunk, or the area behind the last upright seat of a motor vehicle that is not equipped with a trunk.

~~(d)~~(e)(1) Notwithstanding any other provision of this title to the contrary, in all counties and municipalities in which the sale of malt beverages is lawful, the local governing authority may issue a home-brew special event permit for the holding of home-brew special events, including contests, tastings, and judgings. ~~at locations not otherwise licensed under this title. The local governing authority shall specify by ordinance or resolution~~ Any governing authority desiring to allow home-brew special events to be held within its jurisdiction shall provide by resolution or ordinance for the issuance of home-brew special event permits and shall specify the events that shall qualify as home-brew special events. A home-brew special event permit shall cost $50.00 and shall be valid for not more than six events per calendar year.

(2) Home-brew special events shall not be held at any location licensed under this title.

~~(2)~~(3) Consumption of malt beverages at home-brew special events shall be limited solely to malt beverages produced pursuant to this Code section, and such malt beverages shall only be consumed by the participants in and judges of the home-brew special events.

~~(3) Any local governing authority that issues home brew special event permits shall adopt ordinances or resolutions governing home brew special events.~~

~~(e)~~(f) Malt beverages produced pursuant to this Code section shall not be sold, offered for sale, or made available for consumption by the general public."

SECTION 3.

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

Representative Harrell of the 106th moved that the House agree to the Senate substitute to HB 737.

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

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

On the motion, the ayes were 148, nays 6.

The motion prevailed.

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

Mr. Speaker:

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

HB 863. By Representatives Golick of the 40th, Ramsey of the 72nd, Hamilton of the 24th, Dudgeon of the 25th, Pak of the 108th and others:

A BILL to be entitled an Act to amend Article 1 of Chapter 12 of Title 16 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to general provisions relative to offenses against public health and morals, so as to change provisions relating to cruelty to animals and aggravated cruelty to animals; to provide for and change definitions; to clarify provisions relating to justification; to provide for related matters; to repeal conflicting laws; and for other purposes.

The following Bill of the House was taken up for the purpose of considering the Senate action thereon:

HB 943. By Representatives Hawkins of the 27th, Smith of the 134th, Ramsey of the 72nd, Cooper of the 43rd, Broadrick of the 4th and others:

A BILL to be entitled an Act to amend Article 1 of Chapter 24 of Title 33 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to general provisions regarding insurance generally, so as to require that a health benefit policy that provides coverage for intravenously administered or injected chemotherapy for the treatment of cancer shall provide coverage no less favorable for orally administered chemotherapy; to provide a short title; to provide for definitions; to provide prohibited actions; to provide an effective date; to provide for related matters; to repeal conflicting laws; and for other purposes.

The following Senate substitute was read:

A BILL TO BE ENTITLED
AN ACT

To amend Article 1 of Chapter 24 of Title 33 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to general provisions regarding insurance generally, so as to require that a health

benefit policy that provides coverage for intravenously administered or injected chemotherapy for the treatment of cancer shall provide coverage no less favorable for orally administered chemotherapy; to provide a short title; to provide for definitions; to prohibit certain actions; to provide for certain insurance coverage of autism spectrum disorders; to provide for definitions; to provide for limitations; to provide for premium cap and other conditions; to provide for applicability; to provide for related matters; to provide for effective dates; to repeal conflicting laws; and for other purposes.

BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF GEORGIA:

PART I

SECTION 1-1.

This Act shall be known and may be cited as the "Cancer Treatment Fairness Act."

SECTION 1-2.

Article 1 of Chapter 24 of Title 33 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to general provisions regarding insurance generally, is amended by adding a new Code section to read as follows:

"33-24-56.5.

(a) As used in this Code section, the term:

(1) 'Cost sharing requirements' includes co-payments, coinsurance, deductibles, and any other amounts paid by the covered person for a prescription dispensed by a licensed retail pharmacy.

(2) 'Health benefit policy' means any individual or group plan, policy, or contract for health care services issued, delivered, issued for delivery, executed, or renewed by an insurer in this state on or after January 1, 2015. The term 'health benefit policy' does not include the following limited benefit insurance policies: accident only, CHAMPUS supplement, dental, disability income, fixed indemnity, long-term care, Medicaid, medicare supplement, specified disease, vision, self-insured plans, and nonrenewable individual policies written for a period of less than six months.

(3) 'Insurer' means any person, corporation, or other entity authorized to provide health benefit policies under this title.

(b) A health benefit policy that provides coverage for intravenously administered or injected chemotherapy for the treatment of cancer shall provide coverage for orally administered chemotherapy for the treatment of cancer on a basis no less favorable than the intravenously administered or injected chemotherapy regardless of the formulation or benefit category determination by the insurer.

(c) An insurer providing a health benefit policy and any participating entity through which the insurer offers health services shall not:

(1) Vary the terms of any health benefit policy in effect on December 30, 2014, to avoid compliance with this Code section;

(2) Provide any incentive, including, but not limited to, a monetary incentive, or impose treatment limitations to encourage a covered person to accept less than the minimum protections available under this Code section;

(3) Penalize a health care practitioner or reduce or limit the compensation of a health care practitioner for recommending or providing services or care to a covered person as required under this Code section;

(4) Provide any incentive, including, but not limited to, a monetary incentive, to induce a health care practitioner to provide care or services that do not comply with this Code section; or

(5) Change the classification of any intravenously administered or injected chemotherapy treatment or increase the amount of cost sharing applicable to any intravenously administered or injected chemotherapy in effect on January 1, 2015, in order to achieve compliance with this Code section.

(d) An insurer that limits the total amount paid by a covered person through all cost sharing requirements to no more than $200.00 per filled prescription for any orally administered chemotherapy shall be deemed to be in compliance with this Code section."

PART II

SECTION 2-1.

Said article is further amended by revising Code Section 33-24-59.10, relating to insurance coverage for autism, as follows:

"33-24-59.10.

(a) As used in this Code section, the term:

(1) 'Accident and sickness contract, policy, or benefit plan' shall have the same meaning as found in Code Section 33-24-59.1. Accident and sickness contract, policy, or benefit plan shall also include without limitation any health benefit plan established pursuant to Article 1 of Chapter 18 of Title 45. Accident and sickness contract, policy, or benefit plan' shall not include limited benefit insurance policies designed, advertised, and marketed to supplement major medical insurance such as accident only, CHAMPUS supplement, dental, disability income, fixed indemnity, long-term care, medicare supplement, specified disease, vision, and any other type of accident and sickness insurance other than basic hospital expense, basic medical-surgical expense, or major medical insurance.

(2) ~~'Autism' means a developmental neurological disorder, usually appearing in the first three years of life, which affects normal brain functions and is manifested by compulsive, ritualistic behavior and severely impaired social interaction and communication skills~~ 'Applied behavior analysis' means the design, implementation, and evaluation of environmental modifications using behavioral stimuli and consequences to produce socially significant improvement in human behavior, including the use of direct observation, measurement, and functional analysis of the relationship between environment and behavior.

(3) 'Autism spectrum disorder' means autism spectrum disorder as defined by the most recent edition of the Diagnostic and Statistical Manual of Mental Disorders.

(4) 'Treatment of autism spectrum disorder' includes the following types of care prescribed, provided, or ordered for an individual diagnosed with an autism spectrum disorder:

(A) Habilitative or rehabilitative services, including applied behavior analysis or other professional or counseling services necessary to develop, maintain, and restore the functioning of an individual to the extent possible. To be eligible for coverage, applied behavior analysis shall be provided by a person professionally certified by a national board of behavior analysts or performed under the supervision of a person professionally certified by a national board of behavior analysts, except for those licensed psychologists specially trained and credentialed in applied behavioral analysis;

(B) Counseling services provided by a licensed psychiatrist, licensed psychologist, professional counselor, or clinical social worker; and

(C) Therapy services provided by a licensed or certified speech therapist, speech-language pathologist, occupational therapist, physical therapist, or marriage and family therapist.

(b) ~~An insurer that provides benefits for neurological disorders, whether under a group or individual accident and sickness contract, policy, or benefit plan, shall not deny providing benefits in accordance with the conditions, schedule of benefits, limitations as to type and scope of treatment authorized for neurological disorders, exclusions, cost-sharing arrangements, or copayment requirements which exist in such contract, policy, or benefit plan for neurological disorders because of a diagnosis of autism. The provisions of this subsection shall not expand the type or scope of treatment beyond that authorized for any other diagnosed neurological disorder.~~ Accident and sickness contracts, policies, or benefit plans shall provide coverage for autism spectrum disorders for an individual covered under a policy or contract who is six years of age or under in accordance with the following:

(1) The policy or contract shall provide coverage for any assessments, evaluations, or tests by a licensed physician or licensed psychologist to diagnose whether an individual has an autism spectrum disorder;

(2) The policy or contract shall provide coverage for the treatment of autism spectrum disorders when it is determined by a licensed physician or licensed psychologist that the treatment is medically necessary health care. A licensed physician or licensed psychologist may be required to demonstrate ongoing medical necessity for coverage provided under this Code section at least annually;

(3) The policy or contract shall not include any limits on the number of visits;

(4) The policy or contract may limit coverage for applied behavior analysis to $35,000.00 per year. An insurer shall not apply payments for coverage unrelated to autism spectrum disorders to any maximum benefit established under this paragraph; and

(5) This subsection shall not be construed to require coverage for prescription drugs if prescription drug coverage is not provided by the policy or contract. Coverage for prescription drugs for the treatment of autism spectrum disorders shall be determined in the same manner as coverage for prescription drugs for the treatment of any other illness or condition is determined under the policy or contract.

(c) Except as otherwise provided in this Code section, any policy or contract that provides coverage for services under this Code section may contain provisions for maximum benefits and coinsurance and reasonable limitations, deductibles, and exclusions to the extent that these provisions are not inconsistent with the requirements of this Code section.

(d) This Code section shall not be construed to affect any obligation to provide services to an individual with an autism spectrum disorder under an individualized family service plan, an individualized education plan as required by the federal Individuals with Disabilities Education Act, or an individualized service plan. This Code section also shall not be construed to limit benefits that are otherwise available to an individual under an accident and sickness contract, policy, or benefit plan.

(e)(1) An insurer, corporation, or health maintenance organization, or a governmental entity providing coverage for such treatment pursuant to this Code section, is exempt from providing coverage for behavioral health treatment required under this Code section and not covered by the insurer, corporation, health maintenance organization, or governmental entity providing coverage for such treatment pursuant to this Code section as of December 31, 2015, if:

(A) An actuary, affiliated with the insurer, corporation, or health maintenance organization, who is a member of the American Academy of Actuaries and meets the American Academy of Actuaries' professional qualification standards for rendering an actuarial opinion related to health insurance rate making, certifies in writing to the Commissioner that:

(i) Based on an analysis to be completed no more frequently than one time per year by each insurer, corporation, or health maintenance organization, or such governmental entity, for the most recent experience period of at least one year's duration, the costs associated with coverage of behavioral health treatment required under this Code section, and not covered as of December 31, 2015, exceeded 1 percent of the premiums charged over the experience period by the insurer, corporation, or health maintenance organization; and

(ii) Those costs solely would lead to an increase in average premiums charged of more than 1 percent for all insurance policies, subscription contracts, or health care plans commencing on inception or the next renewal date, based on the premium rating methodology and practices the insurer, corporation, or health maintenance organization, or such governmental entity, employs; and

(B) The Commissioner approves the certification of the actuary.

(2) An exemption allowed under paragraph (1) of this subsection shall apply for a one-year coverage period following inception or next renewal date of all insurance policies, subscription contracts, or health care plans issued or renewed during the one-

year period following the date of the exemption, after which the insurer, corporation, or health maintenance organization, or such governmental entity, shall again provide coverage for behavioral health treatment required under this subsection.

(3) An insurer, corporation, or health maintenance organization, or such governmental entity, may claim an exemption for a subsequent year, but only if the conditions specified in this subsection again are met.

(4) Notwithstanding the exemption allowed under paragraph (1) of this subsection, an insurer, corporation, or health maintenance organization, or such governmental entity, may elect to continue to provide coverage for behavioral health treatment required under this subsection.

(f) Beginning January 1, 2015, to the extent that this Code section requires benefits that exceed the essential health benefits required under Section 1302(b) of the federal Patient Protection and Affordable Care Act, P. L. 111-148, the specific benefits that exceed the required essential health benefits shall not be required of a 'qualified health plan' as defined in such act when the qualified health plan is offered in this state through the exchange. Nothing in this subsection shall nullify the application of this Code section to plans offered outside the state's exchange.

(g) This Code section shall not apply to any accident and sickness contract, policy, or benefit plan offered by any employer with ten or fewer employees.

(h) Nothing in this Code section shall be construed to limit any coverage under any accident and sickness contract policy or benefit plan, including, but not limited to, speech therapy, occupational therapy, or physical therapy otherwise available under such plan.

(i) By January 15, 2016, and every January 15 thereafter, the department shall submit a report to the General Assembly regarding the implementation of the coverage required under this Code section. The report shall include, but shall not be limited to, the following:

(1) The total number of insureds diagnosed with autism spectrum disorder;

(2) The total cost of all claims paid out in the immediately preceding calendar year for coverage required by this Code section;

(3) The cost of such coverage per insured per month; and

(4) The average cost per insured for coverage of applied behavior analysis.

All health carriers and health benefit plans subject to the provisions of this Code section shall provide the department with all data requested by the department for inclusion in the annual report."

PART III

SECTION 3-1.

(a) Part I of this Act shall become effective on January 1, 2015.

(b) Part II and Part III of this Act shall become effective July 1, 2014.

SECTION 3-2.

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

The following amendment was read:

Representative Lindsey of the 54th et al. offer the following amendment:

Amend the Senate substitute to HB 943 by replacing line 1 through the end of such substitute with the following:

To amend Chapter 1 of Title 31 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to general provisions relative to health, so as to enact the "Georgia Health Care Freedom Act"; to provide a short title; to provide that neither the state nor any department, agency, bureau, authority, office, or other unit of the state nor any political subdivision of the state shall expend or use moneys, human resources, or assets of the State of Georgia to advocate or intended to influence the citizens of this state in support of the voluntary expansion by the state of eligibility for medical assistance in furtherance of the federal Patient Protection and Affordable Care Act; to provide for enforcement; to provide for applicability; to amend Chapter 1 of Title 33 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to general provisions regarding insurance, so as to provide that no department, agency, instrumentality, or political subdivision of this state shall establish any program; promulgate any rule, policy, guideline, or plan; or change any program, rule, policy, or guideline to implement, establish, create, administer, or otherwise operate an exchange, or apply for, accept, or expend federal moneys related to the creation, implementation, or operation of an exchange; to provide for an exception; to prohibit the state and its departments, agencies, bureaus, authorities, offices, or other units of the state and its political subdivisions from providing navigator programs; to provide for applicability; to amend Article 1 of Chapter 24 of Title 33 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to general provisions regarding insurance generally, so as to require that a health benefit policy that provides coverage for intravenously administered or injected chemotherapy for the treatment of cancer shall provide coverage no less favorable for orally administered chemotherapy; to provide a short title; to provide for definitions; to prohibit certain actions; to provide for related matters; to provide for effective dates; to repeal conflicting laws; and for other purposes.

BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF GEORGIA:

PART I
SECTION 1-1.

This Act shall be known and may be cited as the "Georgia Health Care Freedom Act."

SECTION 1-2.

Chapter 1 of Title 31 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to general provisions relative to health, is amended by adding a new article to read as follows:

"ARTICLE 3

31-1-40.

(a) Neither the state nor any department, agency, bureau, authority, office, or other unit of the state nor any political subdivision of the state shall expend or use moneys, human resources, or assets to advocate or intended to influence the citizens of this state in support of the voluntary expansion by the State of Georgia of eligibility for medical assistance in furtherance of the federal 'Patient Protection and Affordable Care Act,' Public Law 111-148, beyond the eligibility criteria in effect on the effective date of this Code section under the provisions of 42 U.S.C. Section 1396a(a)(10)(A)(i)(VIII) of the federal Social Security Act, as amended.

(b) The Attorney General shall enforce the provisions of this Code section in accordance with Article V, Section III, Paragraph IV of the Constitution of the State of Georgia.

(c) Nothing in this Code section shall be construed to prevent an officer or employee of the State of Georgia or of any department, agency, bureau, authority, office, unit, or political subdivision thereof from advocating or attempting to influence public policy:

(1) As part of such person's official duties;

(2) When acting on personal time without using state resources; or

(3) When providing bona fide educational instruction about the federal Patient Protection and Affordable Care Act of 2010 in institutions of higher learning or otherwise.

(d) Nothing in this Code section shall be construed to preclude the state from participating in any MEDICAID program."

SECTION 1-3.

Chapter 1 of Title 33 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to general provisions regarding insurance, is amended by adding a new Code section to read as follows:

"33-1-23.

(a) As used in this Code section, the term 'exchange' shall have the same meaning provided for in paragraph (1) of Code Section 33-23-201.

(b) No department, agency, instrumentality, or political subdivision of this state shall:

(1) Establish any program; promulgate any rule, policy, guideline, or plan; or change any program, rule, policy, or guideline to implement, establish, create, administer, or otherwise operate an exchange; or

(2) Apply for, accept, or expend federal moneys related to the creation, implementation, or operation of an exchange.

(c) Nothing in this Code section shall apply to the Commissioner of Insurance in the implementation or enforcement of the provisions of Article 3 of Chapter 23 of this title.

(d) Neither the state nor any department, agency, bureau, authority, office, or other unit of the state, including the University System of Georgia and its member institutions, nor any political subdivision of the state shall establish, create, implement, or operate a

navigator program or its equivalent as defined in Code Section 33-23-201; provided, however, that any grant regarding a navigator program in effect on the effective date of this Code section shall be permitted to continue for the term of such grant but shall then terminate upon the expiration of the term of such grant and shall not be renewed, notwithstanding any provision contained within such grant allowing for automatic renewal under certain circumstances.

(e) Nothing in this Code section shall be construed to preclude the state from participating in any MEDICAID program."

PART II
SECTION 2-1.

This Act shall be known and may be cited as the "Cancer Treatment Fairness Act."

SECTION 2-2.

Article 1 of Chapter 24 of Title 33 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to general provisions regarding insurance generally, is amended by adding a new Code section to read as follows:

"33-24-56.5.

(a) As used in this Code section, the term:

(1) 'Cost sharing requirements' includes co-payments, coinsurance, deductibles, and any other amounts paid by the covered person for a prescription dispensed by a licensed retail pharmacy.

(2) 'Health benefit policy' means any individual or group plan, policy, or contract for health care services issued, delivered, issued for delivery, executed, or renewed by an insurer in this state on or after January 1, 2015. The term 'health benefit policy' does not include the following limited benefit insurance policies: accident only, CHAMPUS supplement, dental, disability income, fixed indemnity, long-term care, Medicaid, medicare supplement, specified disease, vision, self-insured plans, and nonrenewable individual policies written for a period of less than six months.

(3) 'Insurer' means any person, corporation, or other entity authorized to provide health benefit policies under this title.

(b) A health benefit policy that provides coverage for intravenously administered or injected chemotherapy for the treatment of cancer shall provide coverage for orally administered chemotherapy for the treatment of cancer on a basis no less favorable than the intravenously administered or injected chemotherapy regardless of the formulation or benefit category determination by the insurer.

(c) An insurer providing a health benefit policy and any participating entity through which the insurer offers health services shall not:

(1) Vary the terms of any health benefit policy in effect on December 30, 2014, to avoid compliance with this Code section;

(2) Provide any incentive, including, but not limited to, a monetary incentive, or impose treatment limitations to encourage a covered person to accept less than the minimum protections available under this Code section;

(3) Penalize a health care practitioner or reduce or limit the compensation of a health care practitioner for recommending or providing services or care to a covered person as required under this Code section;

(4) Provide any incentive, including, but not limited to, a monetary incentive, to induce a health care practitioner to provide care or services that do not comply with this Code section; or

(5) Change the classification of any intravenously administered or injected chemotherapy treatment or increase the amount of cost sharing applicable to any intravenously administered or injected chemotherapy in effect on January 1, 2015, in order to achieve compliance with this Code section.

(d) An insurer that limits the total amount paid by a covered person through all cost sharing requirements to no more than $200.00 per filled prescription for any orally administered chemotherapy shall be deemed to be in compliance with this Code section."

PART III
SECTION 3-1.

(a) Part I and Part III of this Act shall become effective upon its approval by the Governor or upon its becoming law without such approval.
(b) Part II of this Act shall become effective on January 1, 2015.

SECTION 3-2.
All laws and parts of laws in conflict with this Act are repealed.

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

N Abrams	Y Coomer	Y Gregory	Y McCall	Y Sims, C
N Alexander	Y Cooper	E Hamilton	N McClain	E Smith, E
Y Allison	N Dawkins-Haigler	Y Harbin	Y Meadows	Y Smith, L
N Anderson	Y Deffenbaugh	Y Harden	N Mitchell	E Smith, M
Y Atwood	Y Dempsey	Y Harrell	Y Moore	Y Smith, R
Y Ballinger	N Dickerson	Y Hatchett	Morgan	N Smyre
Y Barr	Y Dickey	Y Hawkins	Y Morris	Y Spencer
Y Battles	Y Dickson	N Henson	N Mosby	N Stephens, M
N Beasley-Teague	Y Dollar	Y Hightower	Y Nimmer	Stephens, R
N Bell	N Douglas	Y Hitchens	Y Nix	N Stephenson
N Bennett	N Drenner	N Holcomb	E Oliver	N Stovall
N Bentley	Y Dudgeon	Y Holmes	Y O'Neal	Y Stover
E Benton	E Dukes	Y Holt	Y Pak	Y Strickland
N Beverly	Y Dunahoo	Y Houston	Parrish	Y Talton
Y Black	Y Duncan	N Howard	Y Parsons	Y Tankersley
Y Braddock	Y Dutton	N Hugley	Y Peake	Y Tanner

Y Broadrick	Y Efstration	N Jackson	Y Pezold	Y Tarvin
Y Brockway	Y Ehrhart	Y Jacobs	Y Powell, A	Y Taylor, D
N Brooks	Y England	Y Jasperse	Y Powell, J	Y Taylor, T
N Bruce	Epps, C	Y Jones, J	N Prince	Y Teasley
N Bryant	Y Epps, J	N Jones, L	Y Pruett	N Thomas, A.M.
N Buckner	N Evans	N Jones, S	Y Quick	Y Turner
Y Burns	Y Fleming	Jordan	Y Ramsey	N Waites
Y Caldwell, J	N Floyd	N Kaiser	N Randall	Y Watson, B
Y Caldwell, M	N Fludd	Y Kelley	E Rice	Y Watson, S
Y Carson	E Frazier	E Kendrick	Y Riley	E Welch
Y Carter	N Frye	Kidd	Y Roberts	Weldon
Y Casas	Fullerton	Y Kirby	E Rogers, C	N Wilkerson
Y Chandler	Gardner	Y Knight	Y Rogers, T	Y Wilkinson
Y Channell	Y Gasaway	Y Lindsey	Y Rutledge	Y Willard
Y Chapman	Y Geisinger	Y Lumsden	Y Rynders	E Williams, A
Y Cheokas	N Glanton	N Mabra	N Scott	Y Williams, C
Y Clark, J	E Golick	N Marin	Y Setzler	Williams, E
Y Clark, V	N Gordon	Y Martin	N Sharper	Y Williamson
Y Coleman	Y Gravley	Y Maxwell	Y Shaw	Y Yates
Y Cooke	E Greene	N Mayo	Y Sims, B	Ralston, Speaker

On the adoption of the amendment, the ayes were 108, nays 47.

The amendment was adopted.

Representative Lindsey of the 54th moved that the House agree to the Senate substitute, as amended by the House, to HB 943.

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

N Abrams	Y Coomer	N Gregory	Y McCall	Y Sims, C
N Alexander	Y Cooper	E Hamilton	N McClain	E Smith, E
Y Allison	N Dawkins-Haigler	Y Harbin	Y Meadows	Y Smith, L
N Anderson	Y Deffenbaugh	Y Harden	N Mitchell	E Smith, M
Y Atwood	Y Dempsey	Y Harrell	N Moore	Y Smith, R
Y Ballinger	N Dickerson	Y Hatchett	Morgan	N Smyre
Y Barr	Y Dickey	Y Hawkins	Y Morris	Y Spencer
Y Battles	Y Dickson	N Henson	N Mosby	N Stephens, M
N Beasley-Teague	Y Dollar	Y Hightower	Y Nimmer	Stephens, R
N Bell	N Douglas	Y Hitchens	Y Nix	N Stephenson
N Bennett	N Drenner	N Holcomb	E Oliver	N Stovall
N Bentley	Y Dudgeon	Y Holmes	Y O'Neal	Y Stover
E Benton	E Dukes	Y Holt	Y Pak	Y Strickland
N Beverly	Y Dunahoo	Y Houston	Parrish	Y Talton
Y Black	Y Duncan	N Howard	Y Parsons	Y Tankersley
Y Braddock	Y Dutton	N Hugley	Y Peake	Y Tanner
Y Broadrick	Y Efstration	N Jackson	Y Pezold	Y Tarvin
Y Brockway	Y Ehrhart	Y Jacobs	Y Powell, A	Y Taylor, D
N Brooks	Y England	Y Jasperse	Y Powell, J	Y Taylor, T
Bruce	Epps, C	Y Jones, J	N Prince	Y Teasley
N Bryant	Y Epps, J	N Jones, L	Y Pruett	N Thomas, A.M.
N Buckner	N Evans	N Jones, S	Y Quick	Y Turner
Y Burns	Y Fleming	Jordan	Y Ramsey	N Waites

Y Caldwell, J	N Floyd	N Kaiser	N Randall	Y Watson, B
Y Caldwell, M	N Fludd	Y Kelley	E Rice	Y Watson, S
Y Carson	E Frazier	E Kendrick	Y Riley	E Welch
Y Carter	N Frye	Kidd	Y Roberts	Weldon
Y Casas	Fullerton	Y Kirby	E Rogers, C	N Wilkerson
Y Chandler	Gardner	Y Knight	Y Rogers, T	Y Wilkinson
Y Channell	Y Gasaway	Y Lindsey	Y Rutledge	Y Willard
Y Chapman	Y Geisinger	Y Lumsden	Y Rynders	E Williams, A
Y Cheokas	N Glanton	N Mabra	N Scott	Y Williams, C
Y Clark, J	E Golick	N Marin	Y Setzler	Williams, E
Y Clark, V	N Gordon	Y Martin	N Sharper	Y Williamson
Y Coleman	Y Gravley	Y Maxwell	Y Shaw	Y Yates
Y Cooke	E Greene	N Mayo	Y Sims, B	Ralston, Speaker

On the motion, the ayes were 106, nays 48.

The motion prevailed.

Representative Lindsey of the 54th moved that the House do now adjourn until 9:30 o'clock, A.M., Thursday, March 20, 2014, and the motion prevailed.

Pursuant to the adjournment Resolution previously adopted by the House and Senate, the Speaker announced the House adjourned until 9:30 o'clock, A.M., Thursday, March 20, 2014.