

Representative Hall, Atlanta, Georgia

Wednesday, February 11, 2015

Fourteenth 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	Cooper	Harden	Meadows	Smith, L
Alexander	Corbett	Harrell	Mitchell	Smith, M
Allison	E Dawkins-Haigler	Hatchett	Morris	Smith, R
Anderson	Deffenbaugh	E Hawkins	Nimmer	Smyre
Atwood	Dempsey	E Henson	Nix	Spencer
Ballinger	Dickerson	Hightower	Oliver	Stephens, M
Barr	Dickey	Hitchens	O'Neal	Stephens, R
Battles	Dickson	Holcomb	E Pak	E Stovall
E Beasley-Teague	Dollar	Holmes	Parrish	Stover
Belton	Douglas	Houston	E Parsons	Strickland
E Bennett	Drenner	Howard	Petrea	Tankersley
Bentley	Dudgeon	Hugley	Pezold	Tanner
Benton	Dukes	E Jackson	Powell, A	Tarvin
Beskin	Dunahoo	Jasperse	Powell, J	Taylor, D
Beverly	Duncan	Jones, J	Prince	E Taylor, T
Broadrick	Ealum	Jones, J.B.	Pruett	Teasley
Brockway	Efstration	Jones, L	Quick	Thomas, A.M.
Brooks	E Ehrhart	Jones, S	Raffensperger	Thomas, E
Bryant	England	E Jordan	E Rakestraw	Trammell
Buckner	Epps	Kaiser	Ramsey	Turner
Burns	Evans	Kelley	Reeves	Waites
Caldwell, J	Fleming	Kendrick	Rhodes	Watson
Caldwell, M	Fludd	Kidd	Rice	Weldon
E Cantrell	Frazier	Kirby	Roberts	Werkheiser
Carson	Frye	Knight	Rogers, C	Wilkerson
Carter	Gasaway	LaRiccica	E Rogers, T	E Wilkinson
E Chandler	Geisinger	Lumsden	Rutledge	Willard
Cheokas	Glanton	Mabra	Rynders	Williams, A
Clark, D	E Golick	Marin	E Scott	Williams, C
Clark, H	Gordon	E Martin	Setzler	Williams, E
Clark, V	Gravley	Maxwell	Sharper	Williamson
Coleman	Greene	Mayo	Shaw	Yates
Cooke	Hamilton	E McCall	Sims	Ralston, Speaker
Coomer	Harbin	McClain	Smith, E	

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

Representatives Bell of the 58th, Bruce of the 61st, Casas of the 107th, Floyd of the 99th, Gardner of the 57th, Mosby of the 83rd, Peake of the 141st, Randall of the 142nd, Stephenson of the 90th, and Welch of the 110th.

They wished to be recorded as present.

Prayer was offered by Dr. Stanley Kimble, Senior Pastor, New Smyrna Baptist Church, Fort Valley, 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 5. By Representatives Geisinger of the 48th, Kidd of the 145th, McCall of the 33rd, Rice of the 95th and Bentley of the 139th:

A BILL to be entitled an Act to amend Article 3 of Chapter 11 of Title 16 of the O.C.G.A., relating to invasions of privacy, so as to provide for a definition; to provide for the lawful use of unmanned aircraft; to prohibit the capturing of certain images by unmanned aircraft; to prohibit the possession, disclosure, display, distribution, or other use of such improperly captured images; to provide for penalties; to provide for defenses to prosecution; to restrict the use of such images; to provide for civil actions for violations; to

provide for rule-making authority for the Department of Public Safety for law enforcement use of such unmanned aircraft; to provide for certain reports; to provide for related matters; to provide for an effective date and applicability; to repeal conflicting laws; and for other purposes.

Referred to the Committee on Judiciary Non-Civil.

HB 284. By Representatives Geisinger of the 48th, Parsons of the 44th, Willard of the 51st, Kidd of the 145th and Welch of the 110th:

A BILL to be entitled an Act to amend Chapter 1 of Title 46 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to general provisions regarding public utilities, so as to provide that in the event of litigation against a gas company or electric utility to enjoin, prevent, stop, or delay the construction by such gas company or electric utility of a facility to be used by the gas company or public utility for the provision of gas or electrical service to customers in this state, the losing party shall be required to pay attorney's fees and costs of litigation to the winning party; to provide for exceptions; to provide for certain notices; to provide for sanctions for failure to provide such notices; to provide for related matters; to provide for an effective date and applicability; to repeal conflicting laws; and for other purposes.

Referred to the Committee on Energy, Utilities & Telecommunications.

HB 285. By Representatives Stephens of the 164th and England of the 116th:

A BILL to be entitled an Act to amend Code Section 48-7-40.26 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to an income tax credit for film, video, or digital production in Georgia, so as to change certain qualifications for such credit; to provide for related matters; to provide for an effective date; to repeal conflicting laws; and for other purposes.

Referred to the Committee on Ways & Means.

HB 286. By Representatives Yates of the 73rd, Hitchens of the 161st and Deffenbaugh of the 1st:

A BILL to be entitled an Act to amend Article 3 of Chapter 2 of Title 40 of the O.C.G.A., relating to prestige license plates and special license plates for certain persons and vehicles, so as to provide for a definition of "disabled veteran"; to provide for issuance of free motor vehicle license plates to disabled veterans; to provide for eligibility; to provide for revalidation of such license plates; to provide for the transfer of such license plates upon

death; to amend Chapter 5 of Title 48 of the O.C.G.A., relating to ad valorem taxation of property, so as to provide for a definition of "disabled veteran" for homestead exemption purposes; to provide for an exemption to motor vehicle ad valorem taxes for disabled veterans; to provide for related matters; to repeal conflicting laws; and for other purposes.

Referred to the Committee on Motor Vehicles.

HB 287. By Representatives Kirby of the 114th, England of the 116th, Broadrick of the 4th, Battles of the 15th, Cantrell of the 22nd and others:

A BILL to be entitled an Act to amend Chapter 7 of Title 19 of the O.C.G.A., relating to the parent and child relationship generally, so as to provide for definitions; to provide that it shall be unlawful for any person or entity to intentionally or knowingly create or attempt to create an in vitro human embryo by any means other than fertilization of a human egg by a human sperm; to provide for related matters; to provide for a short title; to provide an effective date; to repeal conflicting laws; and for other purposes.

Referred to the Committee on Judiciary.

HB 288. By Representatives Dempsey of the 13th, Tanner of the 9th, Epps of the 144th, Gardner of the 57th, Reeves of the 34th and others:

A BILL to be entitled an Act to amend Code Section 37-2-4 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to the Behavioral Health Coordinating Council, membership, meetings and obligations, so as to provide for two additional members to serve on the behavioral health coordinating council; to repeal conflicting laws; and for other purposes.

Referred to the Committee on Health & Human Services.

HB 289. By Representatives Parsons of the 44th, Thomas of the 56th and Kaiser of the 59th:

A BILL to be entitled an Act to amend Article 1 of Chapter 9 of Title 48 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to motor fuel tax, so as to extend the exemption for a limited period of time for certain public mass transit vehicles; to repeal conflicting laws; and for other purposes.

Referred to the Committee on Ways & Means.

- HB 290. By Representatives Drenner of the 85th, Rice of the 95th, Williams of the 168th, Powell of the 32nd, Roberts of the 155th and others:

A BILL to be entitled an Act to amend Article 11 of Chapter 6 of Title 40 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to miscellaneous provisions regarding the uniform rules of the road, so as to require the securing or containing of live animals in the back of motor vehicles operated on certain roads; to provide for exceptions; to provide for a fine; to specify the basis for probable cause; to provide for related matters; to repeal conflicting laws; and for other purposes.

Referred to the Committee on Motor Vehicles.

- HB 291. By Representatives Powell of the 32nd and Rice of the 95th:

A BILL to be entitled an Act to amend Code Section 40-2-152 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to fees and alternative ad valorem taxation of apportionable vehicles, so as to revise and change certain provisions regarding the distribution of alternative ad valorem tax proceeds; to provide for an effective date; to repeal conflicting laws; and for other purposes.

Referred to the Committee on Ways & Means.

- HB 293. By Representatives Hawkins of the 27th, Rogers of the 29th, Clark of the 101st, Jones of the 167th, Mitchell of the 88th and others:

A BILL to be entitled an Act to amend Code Section 48-8-3 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to exemptions from sales and use tax, so as to provide a new exemption from state sales and use tax only for a limited period of time regarding the sale of school musical instruments; to provide for related matters; to provide an effective date; to repeal conflicting laws; and for other purposes.

Referred to the Committee on Ways & Means.

- HB 294. By Representatives Rutledge of the 109th, Douglas of the 78th, Strickland of the 111th, Welch of the 110th, Knight of the 130th and others:

A BILL to be entitled an Act to authorize the governing authority of the City of Stockbridge to levy an excise tax pursuant to subsection (b) of Code Section 48-13-51 of the O.C.G.A.; to provide procedures, conditions, and

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

Referred to the Committee on Intragovernmental Coordination - Local.

HB 295. By Representatives Reeves of the 34th, Jacobs of the 80th, Willard of the 51st, Fleming of the 121st, Evans of the 42nd and others:

A BILL to be entitled an Act to amend Title 14 of the O.C.G.A., relating to corporations, partnerships, and associations, so as to change certain provisions relating to definitions, name registration, service of process, and reinstatement following administrative dissolution; to provide for related matters; to repeal conflicting laws; and for other purposes.

Referred to the Committee on Judiciary.

HB 296. By Representatives Nix of the 69th, Clark of the 101st, Dudgeon of the 25th, Beskin of the 54th, Kaiser of the 59th and others:

A BILL to be entitled an Act to amend Code Section 20-2-2114 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to qualifications for the scholarship program for special needs students, so as to expand eligibility for the program to certain lawful refugees and asylees; to provide for related matters; to repeal conflicting laws; and for other purposes.

Referred to the Committee on Education.

HB 297. By Representatives Beskin of the 54th, Nix of the 69th, Geisinger of the 48th, Dudgeon of the 25th, Maxwell of the 17th and others:

A BILL to be entitled an Act to amend Code Section 43-1-2 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to appointment and general powers of division director, members and meetings of professional licensing boards, examination standards, roster of licensees, and funding, so as to provide for professional licensing boards to make designations for the receipt and processing of applications for examination; to repeal conflicting laws; and for other purposes.

Referred to the Committee on Regulated Industries.

HB 298. By Representatives Jacobs of the 80th, Willard of the 51st, Oliver of the 82nd, Beskin of the 54th, Pak of the 108th and others:

A BILL to be entitled an Act to amend Code Section 9-11-4.1 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to certified process servers, so as to repeal the sunset and legislative review provisions; to provide for related matters; to provide for an effective date; to repeal conflicting laws; and for other purposes.

Referred to the Committee on Judiciary.

HB 299. By Representatives Dunahoo of the 30th, Williams of the 119th, Rogers of the 29th, Hawkins of the 27th, Williamson of the 115th and others:

A BILL to be entitled an Act to amend Chapter 1 of Title 13 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to general provisions for contracts, so as to provide for definitions; to provide for the imposition of convenience fees upon payments for certain loans or purchases when paid by electronic means; to provide for notice of the imposition of convenience fees; to provide for exclusions and applicability; to provide for an effective date; to provide for related matters; to repeal conflicting laws; and for other purposes.

Referred to the Committee on Banks & Banking.

HB 300. By Representatives Oliver of the 82nd, Stephenson of the 90th, Jacobs of the 80th, Mosby of the 83rd, Holcomb of the 81st and others:

A BILL to be entitled an Act to amend an Act creating the State Court of DeKalb County, formerly known as the Civil and Criminal Court of DeKalb County, approved February 14, 1951 (Ga. L. 1951, p. 2401), as amended, so as to establish the traffic division of said court; to provide for judges; to provide for initial terms and elections; to provide for the assignment of cases; to provide for a solicitor and clerk; to provide for an effective date; to repeal conflicting laws; and for other purposes.

Referred to the Committee on Intragovernmental Coordination - Local.

HB 301. By Representatives Oliver of the 82nd, Stephenson of the 90th, Jacobs of the 80th, Mosby of the 83rd, Holcomb of the 81st and others:

A BILL to be entitled an Act to repeal an Act creating and establishing the Recorder's Court of DeKalb County, approved March 17, 1959 (Ga. L. 1959, p. 3093), as amended; to provide for the transfer of certain pending cases and court records; to provide for a solicitor of the Magistrate Court of DeKalb County; to provide for an effective date; to repeal conflicting laws; and for other purposes.

Referred to the Committee on Intragovernmental Coordination - Local.

HB 302. By Representatives Oliver of the 82nd, Stephenson of the 90th, Jacobs of the 80th, Mosby of the 83rd, Holcomb of the 81st and others:

A BILL to be entitled an Act to amend an Act providing for the compensation of certain county officers and officials of DeKalb County, approved March 31, 1976 (Ga. L. 1976, p. 3986), as amended, particularly by an Act approved March 30, 1995 (Ga. L. 1995, p. 4016), so as to increase the salary of the Chief Magistrate of DeKalb County; to establish salaries of the associate judges of the traffic division of the State Court of DeKalb County; to establish the salary of the Clerk of the State Court of DeKalb County; to provide an effective date; to repeal conflicting laws; and for other purposes.

Referred to the Committee on Intragovernmental Coordination - Local.

HB 303. By Representatives Hightower of the 68th, Mabra of the 63rd, Kelley of the 16th, Atwood of the 179th, Weldon of the 3rd and others:

A BILL to be entitled an Act to amend Code Section 33-7-11 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to uninsured motorist coverage under motor vehicle liability policies, so as to change provisions relating to the recovery when an insurer refuses to pay for a loss within 60 days after a demand has been made by the insured and a finding has been made that such refusal was made in bad faith; to provide for related matters; to repeal conflicting laws; and for other purposes.

Referred to the Committee on Judiciary.

HB 304. By Representatives Hightower of the 68th, Strickland of the 111th, Efstration of the 104th, Reeves of the 34th, Tanner of the 9th and others:

A BILL to be entitled an Act to amend Code Section 17-10-1 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to fixing of sentence, so as to clarify service of consecutive sentences; to provide for related matters; to repeal conflicting laws; and for other purposes.

Referred to the Committee on Judiciary Non-Civil.

HR 280. By Representatives Cooke of the 18th, Dudgeon of the 25th, Brockway of the 102nd, Caldwell of the 20th, Clark of the 147th and others:

A RESOLUTION requesting the United States Congress to repeal the Seventeenth Amendment to the United States Constitution; and for other purposes.

Referred to the Committee on Governmental Affairs.

HR 281. By Representatives Williamson of the 115th, Hitchens of the 161st, Dunahoo of the 30th, Abrams of the 89th, Fleming of the 121st and others:

A RESOLUTION recognizing the contributions of the Republic of Turkey and the Turkic American Federation of Southeast and encouraging the creation of a Georgian-Turkish Friendship Task Force; and for other purposes.

Referred to the Committee on Interstate Cooperation.

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

HB 4	HB 38
HB 245	HB 246
HB 247	HB 248
HB 249	HB 250
HB 251	HB 252
HB 253	HB 254
HB 255	HB 256
HB 257	HB 258
HB 259	HB 260
HB 261	HB 262
HB 263	HB 264
HB 265	HB 266
HB 267	HB 268
HB 269	HB 270
HB 271	HB 272
HB 273	HB 274
HB 275	HB 276
HB 277	HB 278
HB 279	HB 280
HB 281	HB 282
HB 283	HB 292
HR 1	HR 224
HR 225	HR 226
SB 53	

Representative Burns of the 159th District, Chairman of the Committee on Game, Fish and Parks, submitted the following report:

Mr. Speaker:

Your Committee on Game, Fish and Parks has had under consideration the following Bill of the House and has instructed me to report the same back to the House with the following recommendation:

HB 160 Do Pass

Respectfully submitted,
/s/ Burns of the 159th
Chairman

Representative Smith of the 134th District, Chairman of the Committee on Insurance, submitted the following report:

Mr. Speaker:

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

HB 162 Do Pass, by Substitute

Respectfully submitted,
/s/ Smith of the 134th
Chairman

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

HB 59	Do Pass, by Substitute	HB 87	Do Pass
HB 90	Do Pass, by Substitute	HB 119	Do Pass
HB 154	Do Pass		

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

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 Bill of the House and has instructed me to report the same back to the House with the following recommendation:

HB 172 Do Pass

Respectfully submitted,
/s/ Powell of the 32nd
Chairman

Representative Setzler of the 35th District, Chairman of the Committee on Science & Technology, submitted the following report:

Mr. Speaker:

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

HB 126 Do Pass, by Substitute

Respectfully submitted,
/s/ Setzler of the 35th
Chairman

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

HOUSE RULES CALENDAR
WEDNESDAY, FEBRUARY 11, 2015

Mr. Speaker and Members of the House:

The Committee on Rules has fixed the calendar for this 14th Legislative Day as enumerated below:

DEBATE CALENDAR

Open Rule

HB 86 Social services; provide for transfer of the Division of Aging Services to the Georgia Adult and Aging Services Agency; provisions (Substitute)(HumR-Benton-31st)

Modified Open Rule

None

Modified Structured Rule

HB 47 Prescription drugs; certain refills of topical ophthalmic products under certain conditions; authorize (Substitute)(H&HS-Cooper-43rd)
HB 62 Special needs students; waive certain qualifications for students whose parent is an active duty military service member stationed in Georgia within the previous year; provide (Ed-Tanner-9th)

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

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 Senate:

SB 3. By Senators Unterman of the 45th, Shafer of the 48th, Cowsert of the 46th, Ligon, Jr. of the 3rd, Gooch of the 51st and others:

A BILL to be entitled an Act to amend Chapter 9 of Title 19 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to child custody proceedings, so as to provide for the creation, authorization, procedure, revocation, and termination of a power of attorney from a parent to another person for the temporary delegation of certain power and authority for the care of a minor child; to provide a short title; to provide for definitions; to provide for legislative findings; to provide for related matters; to repeal conflicting laws; and for other purposes.

SB 5. By Senators Cowsert of the 46th, Watson of the 1st and Ligon, Jr. of the 3rd:

A BILL to be entitled an Act to amend Code Section 52-2-9 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to general powers of the Georgia Ports Authority, so as to provide for powers of the authority with respect to acceptance of loans or grants from the United States upon certain terms and conditions; to provide for related matters; to provide an effective date; to repeal conflicting laws; and for other purposes.

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

HB 88. By Representative Prince of the 127th:

A BILL to be entitled an Act to amend an Act creating a new charter for the City of Stapleton, approved March 30, 2000 (Ga. L. 2000, p. 3543), as amended, particularly by an Act approved October 25, 2001 (Ga. L. 2001, Ex. Sess., p. 743), so as to change the terms of office of the mayor and councilmembers; to provide for at-large elections; to provide for related matters; to repeal conflicting laws; and for other purposes.

HB 101. By Representative Cheokas of the 138th:

A BILL to be entitled an Act to amend an Act providing for the Board of Education of Schley County, approved March 4, 1977 (Ga. L. 1977, p. 2955), as amended, particularly by an Act approved April 8, 2002 (Ga. L. 2002, p. 3822), so as to change the description of education districts; to provide for definitions and inclusions; to provide for continuation in office of current members; to provide for an effective date; to repeal conflicting laws; and for other purposes.

HB 102. By Representative Cheokas of the 138th:

A BILL to be entitled an Act to provide that the judge of the Probate Court of Schley County shall also serve as the judge of the Magistrate Court of Schley County on and after January 1, 2017; to provide for the continuation in office and expiration of term of the current magistrate judge; to provide for related matters; to repeal conflicting laws; and for other purposes.

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

SB 3. By Senators Unterman of the 45th, Shafer of the 48th, Cowsert of the 46th, Ligon, Jr. of the 3rd, Gooch of the 51st and others:

A BILL to be entitled an Act to amend Chapter 9 of Title 19 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to child custody proceedings, so as to provide for the creation, authorization, procedure, revocation, and termination of a power of attorney from a parent to another person for the temporary delegation of certain power and authority for the care of a minor child; to provide a short title; to provide for definitions; to provide for legislative findings; to provide for related matters; to repeal conflicting laws; and for other purposes.

Referred to the Committee on Judiciary.

SB 5. By Senators Cowsert of the 46th, Watson of the 1st and Ligon, Jr. of the 3rd:

A BILL to be entitled an Act to amend Code Section 52-2-9 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to general powers of the Georgia Ports Authority, so as to provide for powers of the authority with respect to acceptance of loans or grants from the United States upon certain terms and conditions; to provide for related matters; to provide an effective date; to repeal conflicting laws; and for other purposes.

Referred to the Committee on Economic Development & Tourism.

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

Representatives Deffenbaugh of the 1st, Jones of the 47th et al., Nix of the 69th, Werkheiser of the 157th, Beverly of the 143rd, Harden of the 148th, Anderson of the 92nd, Broadrick of the 4th, Nimmer of the 178th et al., Strickland of the 111th et al., and Hugley of the 136th.

Pursuant to HR 233, the House commended Fort Valley State University, recognized February 11, 2015, as Fort Valley State University Day at the state capitol, and invited representatives from Fort Valley State University's College of Agriculture to be recognized by the House of Representatives.

Pursuant to HR 107, the House congratulated the Lambert High School baseball team on winning the 2014 GHSA Class AAAAAA State Championship and invited the team to be recognized by the House of Representatives.

By order of the Committee on Rules, the following Bill of the House was withdrawn from the General Calendar and recommitted to the Committee on Juvenile Justice:

HB 177. By Representatives Wilkerson of the 38th, Willard of the 51st, Chandler of the 105th, Oliver of the 82nd, Welch of the 110th and others:

A BILL to be entitled an Act to amend Article 2 of Chapter 5 of Title 49 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to child abuse and deprivation records, so as to provide that certain school personnel who are required to report child abuse shall be notified upon receipt of such report and upon completion of its investigation; to provide for definitions; to provide for related matters; to repeal conflicting laws; and for other purposes.

By order of the Committee on Rules, the following Bill of the House was withdrawn from the General Calendar and recommitted to the Committee on Health & Human Services:

HB 195. By Representatives Cooper of the 43rd, Randall of the 142nd, Kelley of the 16th, Dempsey of the 13th, Rynders of the 152nd and others:

A BILL to be entitled an Act to amend Chapter 4 of Title 26 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to pharmacists and pharmacies, so as to provide for substitutions of interchangeable biological products; to define certain terms; to provide for requirements and limitations; 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 House were taken up for consideration and read the third time:

HB 47. By Representatives Cooper of the 43rd, Meadows of the 5th, Hawkins of the 27th, Hatchett of the 150th, Beverly of the 143rd and others:

A BILL to be entitled an Act to amend Code Section 26-4-80 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to dispensing prescription drugs, so as

to authorize certain refills of topical ophthalmic products under certain conditions; 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 Code Section 26-4-80 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to dispensing prescription drugs, so as to authorize certain refills of topical ophthalmic products under certain conditions; to provide for related matters; to repeal conflicting laws; and for other purposes.

BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF GEORGIA:

SECTION 1.

Code Section 26-4-80 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to dispensing prescription drugs, is amended by revising subsection (f) as follows:

"(f)(1) When filling a prescription or refilling a prescription which may be refilled, the pharmacist shall exercise professional judgment in the matter. No prescription shall be filled or refilled with greater frequency than the approximate interval of time that the dosage regimen ordered by the ~~prescriber~~ practitioner would indicate, unless extenuating circumstances are documented which would justify a shorter interval of time before the filling or refilling of the prescription.

(2) Notwithstanding paragraph (1) of this subsection, in order to prevent unintended interruptions in drug therapy for topical ophthalmic products:

(A) A pharmacist shall be authorized, without obtaining subsequent authorization from the practitioner or obtaining a new prescription from the practitioner, to permit refills at 70 percent of the predicted days of use; and

(B) A practitioner shall be permitted to authorize refills earlier than 70 percent of the predicted days of use.

This paragraph shall apply to refills purchased through retail pharmacies and mail order sources."

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

On the passage of the Bill, by substitute, the ayes were 160, nays 1.

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

HB 86. By Representatives Benton of the 31st, Dempsey of the 13th, England of the 116th and Frye of the 118th:

A BILL to be entitled an Act to amend Chapter 6 of Title 49 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to services for the aging, so as to provide for the transfer of the Division of Aging Services to the Georgia Adult and Aging Services Agency; to provide for definitions; to provide for the Georgia Adult and Aging Services Board; to provide for membership, powers, and duties; to provide for an executive director; to provide for

transfer of rights, duties, and obligations; to amend various provisions of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated so as to make conforming changes; to provide for legislative findings; to provide for related matters; 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 6 of Title 49 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to services for the aging, so as to provide for the transfer of the Division of Aging Services to the Georgia Adult and Aging Services Agency; to provide for definitions; to provide for the Georgia Adult and Aging Services Board; to provide for membership, powers, and duties; to provide for an executive director; to provide for transfer of rights, duties, and obligations; to amend various provisions of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated so as to make conforming changes; to provide for legislative findings; 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) Georgia has the eleventh fastest growing population in the United States of individuals 60 years of age and older;
- (2) Georgia has the tenth fastest growing population in the United States of individuals 85 years of age and older; and
- (3) Georgia's population of individuals 60 years of age and older is expected to increase by 65 percent from 2010 to 2030.

SECTION 2.

Chapter 6 of Title 49 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to services for the aging, is amended by adding new Code sections to read as follows:

"49-6-1.1.

As used in this article, the term:

- (1) 'Agency' means the Georgia Adult and Aging Services Agency.
- (2) 'Board' means the Georgia Adult and Aging Services Board.
- (3) 'Director' means the executive director of the agency.

49-6-1.2.

(a) There is created the Georgia Adult and Aging Services Board. The board shall consist of seven members who work or have worked in the area of adult or aging

services, who are recipients of adult or aging services, or who are eligible to receive services provided by the agency; provided, however, that two members shall be individuals who are 60 years of age or older.

(b) The members of the board shall be appointed as follows: three members shall be appointed by the Governor, two members shall be appointed by the Speaker of the House of Representatives, and two members shall be appointed by the Lieutenant Governor. The first members shall be appointed to take office on July 1, 2015, for initial terms as follows: three such members shall be appointed for terms of one year, two such members shall be appointed for terms of two years, and two such members shall be appointed for terms of three years. Thereafter, the successors shall be appointed by the respective appointing authority upon the expiration of the respective terms of office for terms of three years. All such members shall serve until their successors are appointed and qualified. Such members shall be eligible for reappointment to successive terms of office as members of the board.

(c) Vacancies in office shall be filled by appointment by the respective appointing authority in the same manner as the appointment to the position on the board. An appointment to fill a vacancy other than by expiration of a term of office shall be for the balance of the unexpired term. If a vacancy remains unfilled for six months, the board shall be authorized to fill the vacancy in accordance with the process described in this Code section.

(d) Members of the board may be removed from office under the same conditions for removal from office of members of professional licensing boards provided for in Code Section 43-1-17.

(e) There shall be a chairperson of the board elected by and from the membership of the board who shall be the presiding officer of the board. The term of the chairperson shall be established by rules of the board.

(f) A quorum for transacting business shall be determined by the members of the board.

(g) The members of the board shall receive a per diem allowance and expenses as shall be set and approved by the Office of Planning and Budget in conformance with rates and allowances set for members of other state boards.

(h) The board shall approve policies to be implemented by the agency.

49-6-1.3.

The board shall appoint a director. The director shall serve at the pleasure of the board. The director shall have experience with adult or aging services provided by the agency with particular, demonstrated experience with home and community based services.

49-6-1.4.

(a) The Georgia Adult and Aging Services Agency is created and established to perform the functions and assume the duties, powers, and authority exercised by the former Division of Aging Services within the Department of Human Services on June 30, 2015. On July 1, 2015, the powers, functions, duties, programs, institutions, and

authority of the agency relating to the former Division of Aging Services within the Department of Human Services shall be transferred to the agency pursuant to this article.

(b) The agency shall be assigned to the Department of Community Health for administrative purposes only, as prescribed in Code Section 50-4-3 except that the agency shall not be subject to paragraph (2) of subsection (a) and paragraph (4) of subsection (b) of such Code section providing for budget submission through the department. The agency shall submit its budget separately and directly to the Governor and the General Assembly."

SECTION 3.

Said chapter is further amended by revising Code Section 49-6-5, relating to the creation of the Division of Aging Services within the department, as follows:

"49-6-5.

(a) The agency shall succeed to all rules, regulations, policies, procedures, and administrative orders of the Department of Human Services which are in effect on June 30, 2015, and which relate to the functions of the former Division of Aging Services. Such rules, regulations, policies, procedures, and administrative orders shall remain in effect until amended, repealed, superseded, or nullified by proper authority or as otherwise provided by law.

(b) The rights, privileges, entitlements, and duties of parties to contracts, leases, agreements, and other transactions entered into before July 1, 2015, by the Department of Human Services or the Division of Aging Services pertaining to the Division of Aging Services shall continue to exist, and none of such rights, privileges, entitlements, and duties is impaired or diminished by reason of the transfer of the functions to the agency provided for in this article. In all such instances, the agency shall be substituted for the Department of Human Services or the Division of Aging Services, and the agency shall succeed to the rights, privileges, entitlements, and duties under such contracts, leases, agreements, and other transactions.

(c) All persons employed by the Division of Aging Services who, on June 30, 2015, are engaged in the performance of a function or duty which is transferred to the agency as of July 1, 2015, by this article shall be automatically transferred to the agency on July 1, 2015. An equivalent number of positions or funds of the Department of Human Services which provide administrative support to the Division of Aging Services shall be transferred to the agency on July 1, 2015. Such persons shall be subject to the employment practices and policies of the agency on and after July 1, 2015, but the compensation and benefits of such transferred employees shall not be reduced. Employees who are subject to the rules of the State Personnel Board and who are transferred to the agency shall retain all existing rights under such rules. Accrued annual and sick leave shall be retained by such employees as employees of the agency.

(d) On July 1, 2015, the agency shall receive custody of any state owned property in the custody of the Department of Human Services on June 30, 2015, which pertains to the functions transferred from the Division of Aging Services to the agency.

~~The Division of Aging Services, administratively established previously within the department, is statutorily established. The Division of Aging Services established by this Code section shall have those functions, duties, powers, and responsibilities heretofore assigned by the board and the commissioner and as hereafter so assigned or as provided by law."~~

SECTION 4.

Said chapter is further amended by revising Code Section 49-6-61, relating to definitions regarding community care and services for the elderly, as follows:

"49-6-61.

As used in this article, the term:

(1) ~~'Aging section' means the single organizational unit within the Department of Human Services responsible for the planning and administration of services under the Older Americans Act of 1965.~~ 'Agency' means the Georgia Adult and Aging Services Agency.

(2) ~~'Department' means the Department of Human Services.~~

(3)(2) 'Functionally impaired elderly person' means any person 60 years of age or older with physical or mental limitations that restrict individual ability to perform the normal activities of daily living and which impede individual capacity to live independently.

(4)(3) The 'Georgia Medical Assistance Act of 1977' means Article 7 of Chapter 4 of this title.

(5)(4) 'Lead agency' means one or more agencies designated by the Department of Human Services Georgia Adult and Aging Services Agency to assess services needed by functionally impaired elderly persons, to coordinate and provide community care services to those persons, provide case management, and, where necessary, subcontract with providers of service. A lead agency shall be either a private nonprofit entity or any public entity, including but not limited to any organizational unit of the department Georgia Adult and Aging Services Agency.

(6)(5) 'Older Americans Act of 1965' means P.L. 92-258, as amended, on July 1, 1982."

SECTION 5.

Said chapter is further amended by revising paragraph (4) of Code Section 49-6-72, relating to definitions regarding the "Georgia Family Caregiver Support Act," as follows:

"(4) ~~'Department' means the Department of Human Services.~~ Reserved."

SECTION 6.

Said chapter is further amended by striking "department" wherever such term occurs in the following Code sections and inserting in its place "agency":

(1) Code Section 31-8-50, relating to long-term care ombudsman program declaration of policy;

(1.1) Code Section 31-8-63, relating to state ombudsman rules and regulations;

- (2) Code Section 49-6-2, relating to the designated agency for federal programs;
- (3) Code Section 49-6-3, relating to the powers of the department;
- (4) Code Section 49-6-4, relating to acceptance of federal and other grants;
- (5) Code Section 49-6-6, relating to annual report;
- (6) Code Section 49-6-21, relating to duties and powers of council;
- (7) Code Section 49-6-22, relating to staff and facilities;
- (8) Code Section 49-6-40, relating to the creation of the Silver-Haired Legislature;
- (9) Code Section 49-6-62, relating to the establishment of community care unit;
- (10) Code Section 49-6-63, relating to the establishment of community care service system;
- (11) Code Section 49-6-64, relating to adoption of rules and regulations;
- (12) Code Section 49-6-73, relating to eligibility for benefits;
- (13) Code Section 49-6-74, relating to provision of services; and
- (14) Code Section 49-6-77, relating to rules and regulations.

SECTION 7.

Code Section 49-1-7 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to home delivered meals, transportation, services for the elderly, and preschool children with special needs trust, is amended by adding a new subsection to read as follows:

"(a.1) As used in this Code section, the term 'department' means the Georgia Adult and Aging Services Agency."

SECTION 8.

The following Code sections of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated are amended by striking "Division of Aging Services", "Division of Aging Services within the Department of Human Services", "Division of Aging Services of the department", "Division of Aging Services of the Department of Human Services", "Department of Human Resources (now known as the Department of Human Services)", or "department through the Division of Aging Services" wherever such terms occur and inserting in their place "Georgia Adult and Aging Services Agency":

- (1) Code Section 10-1-855, relating to referral procedures to provide intervention and assistance with respect to unfair or deceptive practices toward the elderly;
- (2) Code Section 29-10-3, relating to qualifications and requirements of public guardians;
- (3) Code Section 29-10-4, relating to registration of public guardians;
- (4) Code Section 29-10-10, relating to compensation of public guardians;
- (5) Code Section 29-10-11, relating to appropriation of funds for compensation of public guardians in certain circumstances;
- (6) Code Section 30-5-3, relating to definitions relative to the "Disabled Adults and Elder Persons Protection Act";
- (7) Code Section 31-8-302, relating to the composition of the Georgia Alzheimer's and Related Dementias State Plan Task Force;
- (8) Code Section 31-8-303, relating to meetings of the task force;

- (9) Code Section 37-1-27, relating to legislative findings of the Suicide Prevention Program;
- (10) Code Section 49-1-7, relating to home delivered meals, transportation, services for the elderly, and preschool children with special needs trust;
- (11) Code Section 49-4-162, relating to the establishment of the Georgia Qualified Long-term Care Partnership Program;
- (12) Code Section 49-6-20, relating to the creation of the Council on Aging;
- (13) Code Section 49-6-60, relating to legislative intent regarding community care and services for the elderly;
- (14) Code Section 49-6-71, relating to purpose of the "Georgia Family Caregiver Support Act";
- (15) Code Section 49-6-72, relating to definitions; and
- (16) Code Section 50-8-50, relating to the creation of the Commission on Regional Planning.

SECTION 9.

Article 3 of Chapter 8 of Title 31 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to long-term care ombudsman program, is amended by revising Code Section 31-8-51, relating to definitions, as follows:

"31-8-51.

As used in this article, the term:

(1) ~~'Community ombudsman' means a person certified as a community ombudsman pursuant to Code Section 31-8-52~~ 'Agency' means Georgia Adult and Aging Services Agency.

(1.1) ~~'Department' means the Department of Human Services~~ 'Community ombudsman' means a person certified as a community ombudsman pursuant to Code Section 31-8-52.

(2) 'Long-term care facility' means any skilled nursing home, intermediate care home, private home care provider, assisted living community, or personal care home now or hereafter subject to regulation and licensure by the Department of Community Health.

(3) 'Resident' means any person who is receiving treatment or care in any long-term care facility who seeks admission to such facility or who has been discharged or transferred from such facility.

(4) 'State ombudsman' means the state ombudsman established under Code Section 31-8-52."

SECTION 10.

Said article is further amended by revising Code Section 31-8-52, relating to establishment of long-term care ombudsman program, as follows:

"31-8-52.

Pursuant to the Older Americans Act of 1965 (P.L. 89-73, 79 Stat. 219), as amended, and as a condition of receiving funds under that act for various programs for older

citizens of this state, the ~~Department of Human Services~~ agency has been required to establish and operate a long-term care ombudsman program. In order to receive such funds, the ~~department~~ agency has already established a position of state ombudsman within the state Office of Special Programs. The state ombudsman shall be under the direct supervision of the ~~commissioner of human services~~ director of the agency or his or her designee and shall be given the powers and duties hereafter provided by this article. The state ombudsman shall be a person qualified by training and experience in the field of aging or long-term care, or both. The state ombudsman shall promote the well-being and quality of life of residents in long-term care facilities and encourage the development of community ombudsman activities at the local level. The state ombudsman may certify community ombudsmen, and such certified ombudsmen shall have the powers and duties set forth in Code Sections 31-8-54 and 31-8-55. The state ombudsman shall require such community ombudsmen to receive appropriate training as determined and approved by the ~~department~~ agency prior to certification. Such training shall include an internship of at least seven working days in a nursing home and at least three working days in a personal care home. Upon certification, the state ombudsman shall issue an identification card which shall be presented upon request by community ombudsmen whenever needed to carry out the purposes of this article. Two years after first being certified and every two years thereafter, each such community ombudsman, in order to carry out his or her duties under this article, shall be recertified by the state ombudsman as continuing to meet the ~~department's~~ agency's standards as community ombudsman."

SECTION 11.

Said article is further amended by revising Code Section 31-8-53, relating to the duties of state ombudsman, as follows:

"31-8-53.

The state ombudsman shall:

- (1) Establish policies and procedures, subject to approval by the ~~commissioner of human services~~ director of the agency, for receiving, investigating, referring, and attempting to resolve complaints made by or on behalf of residents of long-term care facilities concerning any act, omission to act, practice, policy, or procedure that may adversely affect the health, safety, or welfare of any resident;
- (2) Investigate and make reports and recommendations to the ~~department~~ agency and other appropriate agencies concerning any act or failure to act by any government agency with respect to its responsibilities and duties in connection with long-term care or residents of long-term care facilities;
- (3) Establish a uniform state-wide reporting system to record data about complaints and conditions in long-term care facilities and shall collect and analyze such data in order to identify significant problems affecting the residents of such facilities;
- (4) Promote the development of community ombudsmen activities and provide technical assistance as necessary; and

(5) Make an annual written report, documenting the types of complaints and problems reported by residents, to the director of the Office of Special Programs for his or her recommendations to the ~~commissioner~~ director of the agency concerning needed policy and regulatory and legislative changes."

SECTION 12.

Said article is further amended by revising Code Section 31-8-59, relating to notice to residents, as follows:

"31-8-59.

The state ombudsman shall prepare and distribute to each long-term care facility in the state a written notice describing the long-term care ombudsman program and the procedure to follow in making a complaint, including the address and telephone number of the state ombudsman and community ombudsman, if any. The administrator shall give the written notice required by this Code section to each resident and his legally appointed guardian, if any, upon admission. The administrator shall also post such written notice in conspicuous public places in the facility in accordance with procedures provided by the state ombudsman and shall give such notice to any resident and his legally appointed guardian, if any, who did not receive it upon admission. The failure to provide the notices required by this Code section shall be a ground upon which the ~~department~~ Department of Community Health may revoke any permit issued to a long-term care facility under Code Section 31-7-1."

SECTION 13.

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

SECTION 14.

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

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

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

Y Abrams	Y Coomer	Y Harbin	Y Meadows	Y Smith, E
Y Alexander	Y Cooper	Y Harden	Y Mitchell	Y Smith, L
N Allison	Y Corbett	N Harrell	Y Morris	Y Smith, M
Y Anderson	E Dawkins-Haigler	Y Hatchett	Y Mosby	Y Smith, R
Y Atwood	Y Deffenbaugh	E Hawkins	Y Nimmer	Y Smyre
Y Ballinger	Y Dempsey	Y Henson	Y Nix	Y Spencer
Y Barr	Y Dickerson	Y Hightower	Y Oliver	Y Stephens, M
Y Battles	Y Dickey	Y Hitchens	Y O'Neal	Y Stephens, R
Y Beasley-Teague	Y Dickson	Y Holcomb	E Pak	Stephenson
Y Bell	Y Dollar	Y Holmes	Y Parrish	Y Stovall

Y Belton	Y Douglas	Y Houston	Y Parsons	Y Stover
E Bennett	Y Drenner	Y Howard	Y Peake	Y Strickland
Y Bentley	Y Dudgeon	Y Hugley	Y Petrea	Y Tankersley
Y Benton	Y Dukes	E Jackson	Y Pezold	Y Tanner
Y Beskin	Y Dunahoo	E Jacobs	Y Powell, A	N Tarvin
Y Beverly	Y Duncan	Y Jasperse	Y Powell, J	Y Taylor, D
Y Broadrick	Y Ealum	Y Jones, J	Y Prince	E Taylor, T
Y Brockway	Y Efstraction	Y Jones, J.B.	Y Pruett	Y Teasley
Y Brooks	E Ehrhart	Y Jones, L	Y Quick	Y Thomas, A.M.
Y Bruce	Y England	Y Jones, S	Y Raffensperger	Y Thomas, E
Y Bryant	Y Epps	Y Jordan	E Rakestraw	Y Trammell
Y Buckner	Y Evans	Y Kaiser	Y Ramsey	Y Turner
Y Burns	Y Fleming	Y Kelley	Y Randall	Y Waites
Y Caldwell, J	Y Floyd	Y Kendrick	Y Reeves	Y Watson
Y Caldwell, M	Y Fludd	Y Kidd	Y Rhodes	Y Welch
E Cantrell	Y Frazier	Y Kirby	Y Rice	Y Weldon
Y Carson	Y Frye	Y Knight	Y Roberts	Y Werkheiser
Y Carter	Y Gardner	Y LaRiccica	Y Rogers, C	Y Wilkerson
Y Casas	Y Gasaway	Y Lumsden	E Rogers, T	Y Wilkinson
E Chandler	Y Geisinger	Y Mabra	Y Rutledge	Y Willard
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Y Clark, V	Y Gravley	E Mayo	Y Sharper	Y Williamson
Y Coleman	Y Greene	E McCall	Y Shaw	Y Yates
Y Cooke	Y Hamilton	Y McClain	Y Sims	Ralston, Speaker

On the passage of the Bill, by substitute, the ayes were 160, nays 3.

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

HB 62. By Representatives Tanner of the 9th, Dickson of the 6th, Dudgeon of the 25th, Evans of the 42nd, Epps of the 144th and others:

A BILL to be entitled an Act to amend Code Section 20-2-2114 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to qualifications for the scholarship program for special needs students, so as to waive certain qualifications for students whose parent is an active duty military service member stationed in Georgia within the previous year; 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 Harbin	Y Meadows	Y Smith, E
Y Alexander	Y Cooper	Y Harden	Y Mitchell	Y Smith, L
Y Allison	Y Corbett	Y Harrell	Y Morris	Y Smith, M

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

On the passage of the Bill, the ayes were 163, nays 0.

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

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

HR 308. By Representatives Smith of the 70th, Wilkinson of the 52nd, Stover of the 71st, Ramsey of the 72nd, Trammell of the 132nd and others:

A RESOLUTION commending Steve Holman for being honored 2014 Georgia Sportscaster of the Year and inviting him to be recognized by the House of Representatives; and for other purposes.

HR 309. By Representative Powell of the 171st:

A RESOLUTION commending Maggie Bridges on her continued dedication to the State of Georgia, congratulating her for being crowned Miss Georgia 2014, and inviting her to be recognized by the House of Representatives; and for other purposes.

HR 310. By Representatives O`Neal of the 146th, Smyre of the 135th, Abrams of the 89th, Jones of the 47th, Hatchett of the 150th and others:

A RESOLUTION commending Mack Chandler and inviting him to be recognized by the House of Representatives; and for other purposes.

HR 311. By Representatives Watson of the 172nd, England of the 116th, McCall of the 33rd, Roberts of the 155th, Corbett of the 174th and others:

A RESOLUTION recognizing February 24th, 2015, as Future Farmers of America Day at the state capitol and inviting the Future Farmers of America (FFA) to be recognized by the House of Representatives; and for other purposes.

HR 312. By Representatives Rogers of the 29th, Hawkins of the 27th, Barr of the 103rd and Dunahoo of the 30th:

A RESOLUTION recognizing and commending Judge Cliff L. Jolliff on the grand occasion of his retirement; congratulating him for being appointed a Senior Juvenile Court Judge; and inviting him to be recognized by the House of Representatives; and for other purposes.

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

HR 217	Do Pass	HR 282	Do Pass
HR 283	Do Pass	HR 284	Do Pass
HR 285	Do Pass	HR 286	Do Pass
HR 287	Do Pass	HR 288	Do Pass
HR 289	Do Pass	HR 290	Do Pass
HR 291	Do Pass	HR 292	Do Pass

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

HR 217. By Representatives Gardner of the 57th, Abrams of the 89th, Jones of the 53rd, Hugley of the 136th, Smyre of the 135th and others:

A RESOLUTION commending Mary Long and inviting her to be recognized by the House of Representatives; and for other purposes.

HR 282. By Representatives Taylor of the 173rd, Powell of the 32nd, Atwood of the 179th, Dempsey of the 13th, Smith of the 70th and others:

A RESOLUTION recognizing and commending the Georgia Bureau of Investigation (GBI) Internet Crimes Against Children Task Force (ICAC) and the Human Trafficking component of that task force and inviting them to be recognized by the House of Representatives; and for other purposes.

HR 283. By Representatives Reeves of the 34th, Duncan of the 26th, Brockway of the 102nd, Cantrell of the 22nd, Mabra of the 63rd and others:

A RESOLUTION commending Georgia Tech Football Head Coach Paul Johnson on being named 2014 Atlantic Coast Conference Coach of the Year and inviting him to be recognized by the House of Representatives; and for other purposes.

HR 284. By Representative Ralston of the 7th:

A RESOLUTION commending the Fannin County High School Family and Consumer Science Class on the publication of their magazine, Fannin County, A Home for All Seasons, and inviting them to be recognized by the House of Representatives; and for other purposes.

HR 285. By Representatives Smith of the 134th, Jasperse of the 11th, England of the 116th, Harden of the 148th, Coleman of the 97th and others:

A RESOLUTION commending the 4-H Clubs of Georgia, recognizing February 23, 2015, as 4-H Day at the capitol, and inviting Mr. Ben Hancock, Mr. Arch D. Smith, and the 2014-2015 4-H Leadership Team to be recognized by the House of Representatives; and for other purposes.

HR 286. By Representatives Alexander of the 66th, Maxwell of the 17th and Gravley of the 67th:

A RESOLUTION honoring the life and service of Sam Driskell, Paulding Sheriff's Corporal, and inviting Howard Driskell, Theresa Britton, Allan

Driskell, Susan Ramey, and Sheriff Gary Gulledge to be recognized by the House of Representatives; and for other purposes.

HR 287. By Representatives O`Neal of the 146th, Abrams of the 89th, Marin of the 96th, Ramsey of the 72nd, Hatchett of the 150th and others:

A RESOLUTION recognizing and commending Mr. Jim Tudor on the grand occasion of his retirement and inviting him to be recognized by the House of Representatives; and for other purposes.

HR 288. By Representatives Atwood of the 179th, Wilkinson of the 52nd, Jones of the 167th, Spencer of the 180th and Parrish of the 158th:

A RESOLUTION commending the College of Coastal Georgia, recognizing March 3, 2015, as College of Coastal Georgia Day at the Capitol, and inviting its faculty, staff, and students to be recognized by the House of Representatives; and for other purposes.

HR 289. By Representatives Smith of the 70th, Williams of the 119th, Bentley of the 139th, Clark of the 147th, Dickey of the 140th and others:

A RESOLUTION recognizing and commending the Flint District on being named the Georgia Forestry Commission 2014 District of the Year and inviting them to be recognized by the House of Representatives; and for other purposes.

HR 290. By Representatives Sims of the 123rd, Frazier of the 126th, Parrish of the 158th, Howard of the 124th and Harbin of the 122nd:

A RESOLUTION recognizing February 17, 2015, as Medical College of Georgia Day at the state capitol and inviting Dr. Peter F. Buckley to be recognized by the House of Representatives; and for other purposes.

HR 291. By Representatives Smith of the 70th, Williams of the 119th, LaRiccia of the 169th, Roberts of the 155th, Shaw of the 176th and others:

A RESOLUTION recognizing and commending the Coffee-Atkinson Forestry Unit upon being named the Georgia Forestry Commission 2014 Southern Unit of the Year and inviting them to be recognized by the House of Representatives; and for other purposes.

HR 292. By Representatives Mabra of the 63rd, Gasaway of the 28th, Williams of the 87th, Duncan of the 26th, Cantrell of the 22nd and others:

A RESOLUTION recognizing and commending Joseph Fitzgerald Hamilton and inviting him to be recognized by he House of Representatives; and for other purposes.

The following Resolutions of the House were read and adopted:

HR 313. By Representatives Coleman of the 97th, Dudgeon of the 25th, Clark of the 101st, Maxwell of the 17th, Rogers of the 29th and others:

A RESOLUTION recognizing February 17, 2015, as Georgia Association of Educators (GAE) Day at the capitol; and for other purposes.

HR 314. By Representatives Benton of the 31st and Quick of the 117th:

A RESOLUTION commending Hope Meredith, Jefferson High School's 2015 STAR Teacher; and for other purposes.

HR 315. By Representatives Coleman of the 97th, Casas of the 107th, Clark of the 101st, Rogers of the 29th, Jones of the 47th and others:

A RESOLUTION commending the Professional Association of Georgia Educators (PAGE) and Georgia Association of Educational Leaders (GAEL) and recognizing February 17, 2015, as PAGE and GAEL Day at the state capitol; and for other purposes.

HR 316. By Representative Coleman of the 97th:

A RESOLUTION recognizing and commending Gregory Alan Pelland; and for other purposes.

HR 317. By Representative Coleman of the 97th:

A RESOLUTION recognizing and commending Robert Anthony Pelland; and for other purposes.

HR 318. By Representative Carson of the 46th:

A RESOLUTION recognizing February 10, 2015, as Georgia Speech-Language-Hearing Association Day at the state capitol; and for other purposes.

HR 319. By Representatives Carson of the 46th, Parsons of the 44th, Pruett of the 149th and Dollar of the 45th:

A RESOLUTION honoring the lives and memory of Elrey "Bud" and June Runion; and for other purposes.

HR 320. By Representative Williamson of the 115th:

A RESOLUTION recognizing and commending Nathaniel Curtis Aschwege; and for other purposes.

HR 321. By Representative Greene of the 151st:

A RESOLUTION commending and recognizing Reverend Alfred Starling for his years of ministry to the State of Georgia; and for other purposes.

HR 322. By Representative Watson of the 172nd:

A RESOLUTION honoring the life and memory of M.C. Richardson on the occasion of the 100th anniversary of his birth; and for other purposes.

HR 323. By Representatives Benton of the 31st and Quick of the 117th:

A RESOLUTION commending Steven Bowles, Jackson County Comprehensive High School's 2015 STAR Teacher; and for other purposes.

HR 324. By Representatives Benton of the 31st and Quick of the 117th:

A RESOLUTION commending Ryan Robinett, East Jackson Comprehensive High School's 2015 STAR Student; and for other purposes.

HR 325. By Representatives Benton of the 31st and Quick of the 117th:

A RESOLUTION commending Bruce Logue, Jefferson High School's 2015 STAR Student; and for other purposes.

HR 326. By Representatives Benton of the 31st and Quick of the 117th:

A RESOLUTION commending Tristan Gaskins, Jackson County Comprehensive High School's 2015 STAR Student; and for other purposes.

HR 327. By Representatives Benton of the 31st and Quick of the 117th:

A RESOLUTION commending the Tumbling Waters Society and congratulating it on the occasion of the 25th anniversary of Art in the Park Festival; and for other purposes.

- HR 328. By Representatives Benton of the 31st and Quick of the 117th:
A RESOLUTION commending Helena Kesler, Commerce High School's 2015 STAR Student; and for other purposes.
- HR 329. By Representatives Benton of the 31st and Quick of the 117th:
A RESOLUTION commending Matthew Dahlke, Commerce High School's 2015 STAR Teacher; and for other purposes.
- HR 330. By Representatives Benton of the 31st and Quick of the 117th:
A RESOLUTION recognizing and commending the rich cultural history of the Cross Roads School; and for other purposes.
- HR 331. By Representatives Benton of the 31st and Quick of the 117th:
A RESOLUTION commending Tammy Barnett, East Jackson Comprehensive High School's 2015 STAR Teacher; and for other purposes.
- HR 332. By Representatives Hamilton of the 24th, Dudgeon of the 25th, Duncan of the 26th, Tanner of the 9th and Cantrell of the 22nd:
A RESOLUTION recognizing and commending Doug Sorrells on the grand occasion of his retirement; and for other purposes.
- HR 333. By Representative Belton of the 112th:
A RESOLUTION honoring the life and memory of William Cocchi; and for other purposes.
- HR 334. By Representatives Belton of the 112th and Williamson of the 115th:
A RESOLUTION honoring the life and memory of Arthur Clifford "Bob" Guhl; and for other purposes.
- HR 335. By Representatives Evans of the 42nd, Golick of the 40th, Smith of the 41st and Wilkerson of the 38th:
A RESOLUTION honoring the life and memory of Deputy Chief Michael Brown; and for other purposes.

HR 336. By Representatives Welch of the 110th, Gardner of the 57th, Houston of the 170th, Dempsey of the 13th, Efstration of the 104th and others:

A RESOLUTION recognizing February 12, 2015, as Domestic Minor Sex Trafficking Awareness Day at the state capitol; and for other purposes.

Representative Weldon of the 3rd moved that the following Bill of the House be withdrawn from the Committee on Judiciary and recommitted to the Committee on Regulated Industries:

HB 153. By Representatives Weldon of the 3rd, Willard of the 51st, Reeves of the 34th, Kelley of the 16th, Oliver of the 82nd and others:

A BILL to be entitled an Act to amend Article 3 of Chapter 19 of Title 15 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to the regulation of the practice of law, so as to provide for a civil action for damages; to provide for related matters; to repeal conflicting laws; and for other purposes.

The motion prevailed.

Representative Hightower of the 68th moved that the House do now adjourn until 10:00 o'clock, tomorrow morning, and the motion prevailed.

The Speaker announced the House adjourned until 10:00 o'clock, tomorrow morning.