

Representative Hall, Atlanta, Georgia

Wednesday, February 10, 2016

Nineteenth Legislative Day

The House met pursuant to adjournment at 10:00 o'clock, A.M., this day.

The House stood at ease until 10:30 o'clock, this morning.

The Speaker called the House to order.

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

Abrams	Coomer	Hatchett	Mitchell	Smith, E
Alexander	Cooper	Hawkins	Morris	Smith, L
Allison	Corbett	Henson	Mosby	Smith, M
Atwood	E Dawkins-Haigler	Hightower	Nimmer	Smith, R
Ballinger	Deffenbaugh	Hitchens	Nix	Smyre
Barr	Dempsey	Holcomb	Oliver	Spencer
Battles	Dickerson	Holmes	Pak	Stephens, M
E Beasley-Teague	Dickey	Houston	Parrish	Stephens, R
Belton	Dickson	E Howard	Parsons	E Stephenson
Bennett, K	Dollar	Hugley	Peake	Stovall
Bennett, T	Douglas	Jackson	Petrea	E Stover
Bentley	E Drenner	Jaspere	Pezold	Strickland
Benton	Dudgeon	Jones, J	Pirkle	Tankersley
Beskin	Dukes	Jones, J.B.	Powell, A	Tanner
Beverly	Dunahoo	Jones, L	Powell, J	Tarvin
Blackmon	Duncan	Jones, S	Price	Taylor, D
Broadrick	Ealum	E Jordan	Prince	Taylor, T
Brockway	Efstration	Kaiser	Pruett	Teasley
Bruce	Ehrhart	Kelley	Quick	E Thomas, A.M.
E Bryant	England	Kendrick	Raffensperger	Thomas, E
Buckner	Epps	Kidd	E Rakestraw	Trammell
Burns	Evans	Kirby	Ramsey	Turner
Caldwell, J	Fleming	Knight	Randall	E Waites
Caldwell, M	Fludd	LaRicca	Reeves	Watson
Cantrell	Frazier	Lott	Rhodes	Welch
Carson	Frye	Lumsden	Rice	Werkheiser
Carter, A	Gardner	Mabra	Rogers, C	Wilkerson
Carter, D	Gasaway	Marin	Rogers, T	Wilkinson
Casas	Gilligan	Martin	Rutledge	Willard
Chandler	Glanton	Maxwell	Rynders	Williams, A
Cheokas	Golick	Mayo	Scott	Williams, C
Clark, D	Gordon	E McCall	Setzler	Williams, E
Clark, H	Gravley	McClain	Sharper	Williamson
Clark, V	Greene	Meadows	Shaw	Yates
Coleman	Harden	Metze	Sims	Ralston, Speaker
Cooke	Harrell			

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

Representative Floyd of the 99th.

He wished to be recorded as present.

Prayer was offered by Reverend Ryan Lyons, Lead Pastor, Sojourn Church, Warner Robins, 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 945. By Representative Cheokas of the 138th:

A BILL to be entitled an Act to amend an Act creating the Schley County Utilities Authority, approved May 12, 2015 (Ga. L. 2015, p. 4204), so as to modify provisions related to appointment of authority members; to repeal conflicting laws; and for other purposes.

Referred to the Committee on Intragovernmental Coordination - Local.

HB 946. By Representatives Spencer of the 180th and Wilkinson of the 52nd:

A BILL to be entitled an Act to amend Chapter 2 of Title 21 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to elections and primaries generally, so as to revise the qualifying times for nonpartisan municipal elections; to provide for related matters; to provide an effective date; to repeal conflicting laws; and for other purposes.

Referred to the Committee on Governmental Affairs.

HB 947. By Representative Corbett of the 174th:

A BILL to be entitled an Act to authorize the assessment and collection of a technology fee by the Probate Court of Echols County; to identify the authorized uses of said technology fee; to provide for the maintenance of said technology fee funds; to authorize collaboration of the clerk of the Probate Court of Echols County with the finance director of Echols County; to provide for reports of income and expenditures; to provide for fund history reviews; to provide for lowering of the amount of said technology fee; to repeal conflicting laws; and for other purposes.

Referred to the Committee on Intragovernmental Coordination - Local.

HB 948. By Representative Powell of the 32nd:

A BILL to be entitled an Act to amend Code Section 42-9-90 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to application fee required for transfer consideration, so as to revise the application fee paid to the Department of Community Supervision or the State Board of Pardons and Paroles by nonindigent adult offenders when applying to transfer supervision to any other state or territory; to provide for related matters; to repeal conflicting laws; and for other purposes.

Referred to the Committee on Judiciary Non-Civil.

HB 949. By Representatives Powell of the 32nd, Tarvin of the 2nd, Jasperse of the 11th, Lumsden of the 12th and Epps of the 144th:

A BILL to be entitled an Act to amend Article 3 of Chapter 9 of Title 16 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to illegal use of financial transaction cards, and Chapter 80 of Title 36 of the Official Code of Georgia

Annotated, relating to general provisions applicable to counties, municipal corporations, and other governmental entities, so as to revise a definition; to revise provisions of law relating to government purchasing cards and government credit cards; to provide for the issuance of government purchasing cards and government credit cards; to provide for the conditions for such issuance; to provide for related matters; to provide an effective date; to repeal conflicting laws; and for other purposes.

Referred to the Committee on Judiciary Non-Civil.

HB 950. By Representatives Bennett of the 94th, Benton of the 31st, Abrams of the 89th, Chandler of the 105th, Hugley of the 136th and others:

A BILL to be entitled an Act to amend Code Section 15-11-211 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to a relative search by the Division of Family and Children Services of the Department of Human Services, so as to specify additional information to be provided in the notice to certain individuals identified in a diligent search conducted as part of a dependency proceeding; to provide for related matters; to repeal conflicting laws; and for other purposes.

Referred to the Committee on Judiciary.

HB 951. By Representatives Nimmer of the 178th, Powell of the 171st, Abrams of the 89th, Dickey of the 140th, Smyre of the 135th 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 state sales and use taxes, so as to create a new exemption for admissions to major sporting events; to provide a definition; 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 Ways & Means.

HB 952. By Representatives Nimmer of the 178th, Dickey of the 140th, Rogers of the 10th, Coomer of the 14th and Carter of the 175th:

A BILL to be entitled an Act to amend Title 43 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating professions and businesses, so as to enact the "Georgia Professional Regulation Reform Act"; to provide for executive oversight of licensing boards; to establish state policy for the regulation of certain professions and businesses; to provide for legislative intent; to

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

Referred to the Committee on Small Business Development.

HB 953. By Representatives Mitchell of the 88th, Smyre of the 135th, Stephens of the 165th, Howard of the 124th, Frazier of the 126th and others:

A BILL to be entitled an Act to amend Article 1 of Chapter 1A of Title 20 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to general provisions relative to early care and learning, so as to require annual safety inspections of day-care centers, family day-care homes, and group day-care homes; to require record keeping of annual inspections; to provide for legislative findings; to provide for related matters; to repeal conflicting laws; and for other purposes.

Referred to the Committee on Education.

HB 954. By Representatives Efstoration of the 104th, Cooper of the 43rd, Abrams of the 89th, England of the 116th, Trammell of the 132nd and others:

A BILL to be entitled an Act to amend Title 29 of the O.C.G.A., relating to guardian and ward, so as to enact the Uniform Adult Guardianship and Protective Proceedings Jurisdiction Act; to provide for a short title; to provide for definitions; to repeal conflicting laws; and for other purposes.

Referred to the Committee on Health & Human Services.

HB 955. By Representatives Yates of the 73rd, Fludd of the 64th and Mabra of the 63rd:

A BILL to be entitled an Act to amend an Act creating a board of commissioners of Fayette County, approved March 9, 1959 (Ga. L. 1959, p. 2431), as amended, particularly by an Act approved March 13, 1978 (Ga. L. 1978, p. 3399), so as to revise the districts for the election of members of the board of commissioners; to provide for definitions and inclusions; to provide for method of election; to provide for the continuation in office of current members; to provide for related matters; to provide for effective dates; to repeal conflicting laws; and for other purposes.

Referred to the Committee on Intragovernmental Coordination - Local.

- HB 956. By Representatives Reeves of the 34th, Stephens of the 164th, Hawkins of the 27th, Harrell of the 106th, Carter of the 175th and others:

A BILL to be entitled an Act to amend Article 2 of Chapter 7 of Title 48 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to the imposition, rate, and computation of and exemptions from state income taxes, so as to create an income tax credit for certain expenditures by music, film, television, or interactive entertainment production companies related to the incorporation of a recorded musical performance that was written, created, arranged, recorded, or synchronized in this state into a state certified production; to provide for rules and regulations and an application process related to such income tax credit; to provide for certain conditions and limitations; to provide for definitions; to provide a short title; to repeal conflicting laws; and for other purposes.

Referred to the Committee on Ways & Means.

- HB 957. By Representatives Abrams of the 89th, Deffenbaugh of the 1st, Bentley of the 139th and Sharper of the 177th:

A BILL to be entitled an Act to amend Article 3 of Chapter 9 of Title 15 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to cost and compensation regarding the probate courts, so as to require that the judges and clerks of the probate courts publicly post notice of the availability of the affidavit of indigence; to provide for related matters; to repeal conflicting laws; and for other purposes.

Referred to the Committee on Judiciary.

- HB 958. By Representatives Jones of the 47th, Willard of the 51st, Golick of the 40th, Raffensperger of the 50th, Cantrell of the 22nd and others:

A BILL to be entitled an Act to amend an Act providing for the establishment of a county-wide library system in Fulton County, approved April 12, 1982 (Ga. L. 1982, p. 4174), as amended, particularly by an Act approved May 12, 2015 (Ga. L. 2015, p. 4054), so as to provide for the term of the member appointed by the mayor; to provide for related matters; to provide an effective date; to repeal conflicting laws; and for other purposes.

Referred to the Committee on Intragovernmental Coordination - Local.

- HB 959. By Representatives Beskin of the 54th, Dudgeon of the 25th, Coleman of the 97th, Nix of the 69th, Clark of the 101st and others:

A BILL to be entitled an Act to amend Title 20 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to education, so as to update and clarify certain provisions relating to K-12 education; to revise a provision relating to conflicts of interest of local board of education members; to provide that students who earn certain grades in dual enrollment courses in core subjects are exempt from taking end-of-course assessments for such courses; to authorize the sharing of data for certain program evaluation purposes; to provide for an annual review of tuition for the Georgia Virtual School; to eliminate a restriction on the Office of Student Achievement's authority to establish a nonprofit corporation; to provide for related matters; to repeal conflicting laws; and for other purposes.

Referred to the Committee on Education.

HB 960. By Representatives Kelley of the 16th, Sims of the 123rd, Dempsey of the 13th, Harrell of the 106th, Houston of the 170th and others:

A BILL to be entitled an Act to amend Chapter 2 of Title 48 of the O.C.G.A., relating to state administration and collection of revenue, so as to provide for confidentiality of certain tax information; to provide for an interest rate on delinquent payments that adjusts to reflect changes in the prime rate; to adjust the penalties for nonpayment of ad valorem taxes to offset the reduction in interest rate; to make distribution of penalties equitable between taxing jurisdictions; to provide for additional procedures, conditions, and limitations; to provide for notice to political subdivisions upon the filing of certain tax refund requests; to provide for confidentiality of taxpayer information; to provide for automatic transfer to the Georgia Tax Tribunal in certain cases; to provide for related matters; to repeal conflicting laws; and for other purposes.

Referred to the Committee on Ways & Means.

HB 961. By Representatives Abrams of the 89th, Benton of the 31st, Sharper of the 177th and Bennett of the 94th:

A BILL to be entitled an Act to amend Chapter 1 of Title 49 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to general provisions applicable to social services, so as to authorize units of state government to provide all subsidies available to kinship caregivers or to the children in their care based on the eligibility of such children and not on the income or age of the kinship caregiver; to provide for related matters; to repeal conflicting laws; and for other purposes.

Referred to the Committee on Juvenile Justice.

- HB 962. By Representatives Abrams of the 89th, Dempsey of the 13th, Benton of the 31st, Hugley of the 136th, Sharper of the 177th and others:

A BILL to be entitled an Act to amend Article 1 of Chapter 2 of Title 49 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to the Department of Human Services generally, so as to provide for the creation, appointment, removal, and duties of a kinship care enforcement administrator; to provide a definition; to provide for related matters; to repeal conflicting laws; and for other purposes.

Referred to the Committee on Juvenile Justice.

- HB 963. By Representatives Abrams of the 89th, Benton of the 31st, Efstoration of the 104th, Hugley of the 136th, Willard 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 repeal the "Power of Attorney for the Care of a Minor Child Act"; to provide a short title; to provide for a nonlegal custodian to give legal consent for a child in his or her custody to receive medical or educational services for which parental consent is usually required; to provide an affidavit form; to provide for related matters; to repeal conflicting laws; and for other purposes.

Referred to the Committee on Juvenile Justice.

- HB 964. By Representatives Glanton of the 75th, Frazier of the 126th, Abrams of the 89th, Hugley of the 136th, Dawkins-Haigler of the 91st and others:

A BILL to be entitled an Act to amend Title 21 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to elections, so as to require the local election superintendent to notify the local school superintendent of the date of the primary election; to provide for related matters; to repeal conflicting laws; and for other purposes.

Referred to the Committee on Governmental Affairs.

- HB 965. By Representatives Cheokas of the 138th, Burns of the 159th, Smyre of the 135th, Dawkins-Haigler of the 91st, Greene of the 151st and others:

A BILL to be entitled an Act to amend Chapter 24 of Title 33 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to general insurance provisions, so as to

provide that no health benefit plan shall require an insured to fail to successfully respond to a drug or drugs for stage four advanced, metastatic cancer prior to the approval of a drug prescribed by his or her physician; to provide for definitions; to provide for a short title; to provide for legislative findings and intent; to provide for related matters; to repeal conflicting laws; and for other purposes.

Referred to the Committee on Insurance.

HB 966. By Representatives Caldwell of the 131st, Buckner of the 137th, Willard of the 51st, Wilkinson of the 52nd, Quick of the 117th and others:

A BILL to be entitled an Act to amend Chapter 7 of Title 12 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to the control of soil erosion and sedimentation, so as to provide for a buffer along all state waters to be measured outward from the ordinary high water mark and within which certain land-disturbing activities are prohibited; to provide for purposes and legislative intent; to provide for uniformity; to provide for related matters; to repeal conflicting laws; and for other purposes.

Referred to the Committee on Natural Resources & Environment.

HB 967. By Representative Epps of the 144th:

A BILL to be entitled an Act to amend an Act entitled "Macon Water Commissioners - Pension Plan," approved December 30, 1953 (Ga. L. 1953, p. 2831), as amended, particularly by an Act approved May 1, 2012 (Ga. L. 2012, p. 5637), so as to modify provisions related to termination of employment before retirement; to modify provisions related to direct rollovers; to repeal conflicting laws; and for other purposes.

Referred to the Committee on Intragovernmental Coordination - Local.

HR 1311. By Representatives Chandler of the 105th, Casas of the 107th, Clark of the 101st, Bentley of the 139th, Kelley of the 16th and others:

A RESOLUTION creating the House Study Committee on College Course Credit; and for other purposes.

Referred to the Committee on Special Rules.

HR 1312. By Representatives Sims of the 123rd, Blackmon of the 146th, Coomer of the 14th, Clark of the 101st, Dunahoo of the 30th and others:

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

Referred to the Committee on State Properties.

HR 1313. By Representatives Glanton of the 75th, Frazier of the 126th, Abrams of the 89th, Hugley of the 136th, Scott of the 76th and others:

A RESOLUTION urging local boards of education to avoid scheduling any high school graduation or matriculation ceremonies or commencements on the same day that the general primary election is held; and for other purposes.

Referred to the Committee on Education.

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

HB 929	HB 930
HB 931	HB 932
HB 933	HB 934
HB 935	HB 936
HB 937	HB 938
HB 939	HB 940
HB 941	HB 942
HB 943	HB 944
SB 278	SB 283

Representative Cooper of the 43rd District, Chairman of the Committee on Health and Human Services, submitted the following report:

Mr. Speaker:

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

HB 588	Do Pass, by Substitute	HB 783	Do Pass, by Substitute
HB 826	Do Pass, by Substitute	HB 886	Do Pass, by Substitute
HB 902	Do Pass		

Respectfully submitted,
/s/ Cooper of the 43rd
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 Bills of the House and has instructed me to report the same back to the House with the following recommendations:

HB 555	Do Pass, by Substitute	HB 838	Do Pass
HB 882	Do Pass, by Substitute	HB 883	Do Pass, by Substitute
HB 884	Do Pass		

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

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 888	Do Pass	HB 890	Do Pass
HB 925	Do Pass	HB 930	Do Pass
HB 932	Do Pass	HB 940	Do Pass
SB 315	Do Pass		

Respectfully submitted,
/s/ Tankersley of the 160th
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 757 Do Pass, by Substitute
 HB 762 Do Pass, by Substitute
 HB 849 Do Pass, by Substitute

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

HB 93 Do Pass, by Substitute HB 166 Do Pass, by Substitute
 HB 764 Do Pass, by Substitute HB 777 Do Pass, by Substitute

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

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

HOUSE RULES CALENDAR
 WEDNESDAY, FEBRUARY 10, 2016

Mr. Speaker and Members of the House:

The Committee on Rules has fixed the calendar for this 19th Legislative Day as enumerated below:

DEBATE CALENDAR

Modified Open Rule

HB 635 Judges of Probate Courts Retirement Fund; increase number of years of mandatory contribution; provisions (Substitute)(Ret-Epps-144th)

- HB 659 Education; provide transparency of financial information of local school systems and schools; provisions (Substitute)(Ed-Belton-112th)
- HB 840 Conservation and natural resources; rules and regulations used to establish criminal violations; change provisions (Substitute)(GF&P-Stephens-164th)
- HB 844 Georgia Firefighters' Pension Fund; insurance premiums subject to taxation; update certain provisions (Substitute)(Ret-Maxwell-17th)

Modified Structured Rule

- HB 509 Georgia Palliative Care and Quality of Life Advisory Council; create; provisions (Substitute)(H&HS-Petrea-166th)

Structured Rule

- HB 726 Excise tax; tobacco products; clarify certain charges (W&M-Tanner-9th)

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 255. By Senators Stone of the 23rd, Bethel of the 54th, Millar of the 40th, Albers of the 56th, Ligon, Jr. of the 3rd and others:

A BILL to be entitled an Act to amend Title 18 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to debtor and creditor, so as to modernize, reorganize, and provide constitutional protections in garnishment proceedings; to provide for definitions; to provide for an affidavit and summons of garnishment, contents, and procedure for garnishment; to provide for property being subject to and exempt from garnishment; to provide for a defendant's and third party's claim and plaintiff's traverse and the procedure for claims and traverses; to provide for procedures only applicable to financial institutions; to provide for and require the use of certain forms for garnishment proceedings;

to amend Code Sections 44-7-50 and 53-12-80 of the O.C.G.A., relating to demand for possession and spendthrift provisions, respectively, so as to correct cross-references; to provide for related matters; to repeal conflicting laws; and for other purposes.

SB 307. By Senators Beach of the 21st, Williams of the 19th, Butler of the 55th, Parent of the 42nd and Gooch of the 51st:

A BILL to be entitled an Act to amend Code Section 32-6-51 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to erection, placement, or maintenance of unauthorized structures within rights of way of public roads and authorization of commercial advertisements by a transit agency, so as to provide for definitions relative to advertising; 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 255. By Senators Stone of the 23rd, Bethel of the 54th, Millar of the 40th, Albers of the 56th, Ligon, Jr. of the 3rd and others:

A BILL to be entitled an Act to amend Title 18 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to debtor and creditor, so as to modernize, reorganize, and provide constitutional protections in garnishment proceedings; to provide for definitions; to provide for an affidavit and summons of garnishment, contents, and procedure for garnishment; to provide for property being subject to and exempt from garnishment; to provide for a defendant's and third party's claim and plaintiff's traverse and the procedure for claims and traverses; to provide for procedures only applicable to financial institutions; to provide for and require the use of certain forms for garnishment proceedings; to amend Code Sections 44-7-50 and 53-12-80 of the O.C.G.A., relating to demand for possession and spendthrift provisions, respectively, so as to correct cross-references; to provide for related matters; to repeal conflicting laws; and for other purposes.

Referred to the Committee on Judiciary.

SB 307. By Senators Beach of the 21st, Williams of the 19th, Butler of the 55th, Parent of the 42nd and Gooch of the 51st:

A BILL to be entitled an Act to amend Code Section 32-6-51 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to erection, placement, or maintenance of unauthorized structures within rights of way of public roads and

authorization of commercial advertisements by a transit agency, so as to provide for definitions relative to advertising; to provide for related matters; to repeal conflicting laws; and for other purposes.

Referred to the Committee on Transportation.

The Speaker announced the House in recess until 11:15 o'clock, this morning.

The Speaker called the House to order.

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

Representatives Spencer of the 180th, Oliver of the 82nd, Harden of the 148th, Peake of the 141st, Werkheiser of the 157th, Thomas of the 39th, Rogers of the 10th et al., Scott of the 76th, Alexander of the 66th, Nimmer of the 178th, Tanner of the 9th, and Cheokas of the 138th.

Pursuant to HR 1140, the House recognized and commended Georgia State University's Legislative Health Policy Certificate Program and Advanced Health Policy Institute and its instructors.

Pursuant to HR 1197, the House congratulated the Duluth High School men's varsity soccer team for their victorious performance in the 2015 State Championship.

Pursuant to HR 1318, the House recognized and honored February 10, 2016, as New Americans Day at the capitol.

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 Education:

HB 614. By Representatives Stovall of the 74th, Brockway of the 102nd, Scott of the 76th, Benton of the 31st and Kaiser of the 59th:

A BILL to be entitled an Act to amend Part 15 of Article 6 of Chapter 2 of Title 20 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to miscellaneous provisions under the "Quality Basic Education Act," so as to provide for a pilot program for the placement of video monitoring cameras in classrooms providing special education services; to provide for program requirements; to provide for a program evaluation; to provide for funding; to provide for a short title; to provide for related matters; to repeal conflicting laws; and for other purposes.

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 750. By Representatives Ralston of the 7th, Jones of the 47th, Burns of the 159th and England of the 116th:

A BILL to amend an Act making and providing appropriations for the State Fiscal Year beginning July 1, 2015, and ending June 30, 2016, known as the "General Appropriations Act," Act No. 198, approved May 12, 2015 (Ga. L. 2015, Volume One, Appendix, commencing at page 1 of 251), so as to make, provide, and change certain 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.

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 635. By Representative Epps of the 144th:

A BILL to be entitled an Act to amend Chapter 11 of Title 47 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to the Judges of the Probate Courts Retirement Fund, so as to increase the number of years of mandatory contribution to such fund; to increase the maximum number of years used to calculate benefits; to provide for certain creditable service; to provide for application and payment of funds; to provide conditions for an effective date and automatic repeal; to repeal conflicting laws; and for other purposes.

The following Committee substitute was read and adopted:

A BILL TO BE ENTITLED
AN ACT

To amend Chapter 11 of Title 47 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to the Judges of the Probate Courts Retirement Fund, so as to increase the number of years of mandatory contribution to such fund; to increase the maximum number of years used to calculate benefits; to provide for certain creditable service; to provide for application and payment of funds; to provide conditions for an effective date and automatic repeal; to repeal conflicting laws; and for other purposes.

BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF GEORGIA:

SECTION 1.

Chapter 11 of Title 47 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to the Judges of the Probate Courts Retirement Fund, is amended in Code Section 47-11-40, relating to eligibility to participate, credit for service rendered, and requirements for judges to participate, by revising paragraph (7) as follows:

"(7) As to judges of the probate courts or employees of the board, file with the board for each month subsequent to admission as a member by the close of business of the twentieth day of each month the sum certain of \$105.00; provided, however, that the requirement for such dues shall cease after the member has paid such dues for a period of ~~20~~ 30 years; and"

SECTION 2.

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

"47-11-43.

Any member who is active on July 1, 2016, may obtain creditable service for any service in excess of 20 years as judge of the probate court, employee of the board, or secretary-treasurer, but not more than the actual number of years of service or 30 years, whichever is less. Any such member shall make application in such form and manner as the board deems appropriate and shall pay to the board an amount determined by the board to be sufficient to cover the full actuarial cost of granting the creditable service as provided in this Code section. Any such application and payment must be received not later than December 31, 2016."

SECTION 3.

Said chapter is further amended by revising Code Section 47-11-71, relating to amount of retirement benefits, optional retirement benefits, and manner in which persons not eligible for maximum benefits at retirement may become eligible, as follows:

"47-11-71.

(a)(1) Any judge of the probate court or employee of the board who is approved for retirement benefits as provided in subsection (a) of Code Section 47-11-70 prior to July 1, 1996, shall be paid a monthly sum equal to 5 percent of the judge's or employee's average monthly net earnings, as may be determined from reports of such earnings and subject to the limitations on such earnings as provided for in Code Section 47-11-40, for each year served by the judge or employee up to, but not

exceeding, a total of ~~20~~ 30 years, except as provided in subsection (c) of this Code section. No time prior to December 22, 1953, or for which dues have not been paid in accordance with Code Section 47-11-40 shall be considered in determining the number of years of service of any such judge of the probate court for purposes of determining retirement pay and no time prior to January 1, 1990, or for which dues have not been paid in accordance with Code Section 47-11-40 shall be considered in determining the number of years of service of any such employee of the board for purposes of determining retirement pay.

(2) Any judge of the probate court or employee of the board who is approved for retirement benefits as provided in subsection (a) of Code Section 47-11-70 on or after July 1, 1996, shall be paid a monthly sum equal to 5 percent of the judge's or employee's final monthly net earnings, as may be determined from reports of such earnings and subject to the limitations on such earnings as provided for in subparagraph (G) of paragraph (5) of Code Section 47-11-40, for each year served by the judge or employee up to, but not exceeding, a total of ~~20~~ 30 years. No time for which dues have not been paid in accordance with Code Section 47-11-40 shall be considered in determining the number of years of service.

(b)(1) In lieu of receiving the retirement benefits provided for in subsection (a) of this Code section, a judge of the probate court or employee of the board may elect in writing, on a form to be provided by the board at the time the judge or employee becomes eligible to receive retirement benefits, to receive a monthly retirement benefit payable up to the date of the death of the designated survivor, which benefit shall be based on the judge's or employee's age at retirement and the age of the judge's or employee's designated survivor at that time and shall be computed so as to be actuarially equivalent to the total retirement payment which would have been paid to the judge or employee under subsection (a) of this Code section. A member who is unmarried at the time of such election may designate a survivor at the time of making such election. If a member is married at the time of such election, his or her spouse shall be the designated survivor unless another person is so designated with the written agreement of the spouse. In any event, the designated survivor shall be a person with whom the member has a familial relationship through blood, marriage, or adoption. Such actuarial equivalent shall be computed on the Group Annuity Table for 1951 using 5 1/2 percent interest. The spouse designated at the time of the judge's or employee's retirement shall be the only spouse who may draw these benefits.

(2) If a member elects the option provided in paragraph (1) of this subsection, then, after the approval of the application for retirement, the following provisions apply:

(A) If the member's designated survivor shall predecease the member, the member may, in writing on forms prescribed by the board and subject to approval by the board, revoke such option and thereafter receive during the member's lifetime a monthly retirement benefit commencing on the date on which the board approves such revocation, but not for any period prior to such approval, equal to the maximum monthly benefit which would have been payable to him had such option not been exercised;

(B) If there is entered a final judgment of complete divorce between the member and the member's spouse who is the designated survivor, the member may, in writing on forms prescribed by the board and subject to approval by the board, revoke such option and thereafter receive during the member's lifetime a monthly retirement benefit commencing on the date on which the board approves such revocation, but not for any period prior to such approval, equal to the maximum monthly benefit which would have been payable had such option not been exercised; and

(C) If, following the death of the member's spouse or the entry of a final judgment of divorce between the member and the member's spouse who is the designated survivor, the member remarries, the member may, in writing on forms prescribed by the board and subject to approval by the board, elect such option with respect to the member's new spouse. The joint and survivor benefit shall be determined as of the date of the election. No such election shall be made until the expiration of one year after the date of remarriage or until a child of the remarried couple is born, whichever is earlier.

(c) Any provision of this chapter to the contrary notwithstanding, any judge of the probate court, employee of the board, and any secretary-treasurer of the fund who has served for a total of ~~20~~ 30 years as judge of the probate court, employee of the board, or secretary-treasurer, or a combination of such service, and who has contributed all dues owed to the fund as provided in this chapter but who is not eligible upon retirement to receive the maximum retirement benefits provided for in this chapter shall be entitled to continue to contribute dues to the fund or, in the case of the secretary-treasurer, to continue to receive credit during such period of time as the judge, employee, or secretary-treasurer shall continue to serve as a judge of the probate court, employee of the board, or secretary-treasurer beyond ~~20~~ 30 years of service. The average monthly net earnings of any such judge of the probate court, employee of the board, or secretary-treasurer retiring prior to July 1, 1996, shall be added to the total monthly net earnings of such judge of the probate court, employee of the board, or secretary-treasurer during the ~~20~~ 30 year period of service. The sum of these two amounts shall then be divided by ~~240~~ 360, and the result of such division shall then be used as the average monthly net earnings upon which retirement benefits shall be calculated; provided, however, such average monthly net earnings shall not exceed the limitations specified in subsection (b) of Code Section 47-11-21 and in Code Section 47-11-40.

(d) The calculation of benefits under this Code section shall apply to persons who were receiving benefits pursuant to the provisions of this chapter prior to July 1, 1988, as well as to persons who become eligible to receive benefits on or after that date. Effective July 1, 1988, the monthly benefit of each person who was receiving a benefit prior to that date shall be increased in the amount necessary to comply with the requirements of this subsection."

SECTION 4.

This Act shall become effective on July 1, 2016, only if it is determined to have been concurrently funded as provided in Chapter 20 of Title 47 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, the "Public Retirement Systems Standards Law"; otherwise, this Act shall not become effective and shall be automatically repealed in its entirety on July 1, 2016, as required by subsection (a) of Code Section 47-20-50.

SECTION 5.

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 Harrell	Y Mitchell	Smith, L
Y Alexander	Y Cooper	Y Hatchett	Y Morris	Y Smith, M
Y Allison	Y Corbett	Y Hawkins	Y Mosby	Y Smith, R
E Atwood	E Dawkins-Haigler	Y Henson	Y Nimmer	Y Smyre
N Ballinger	Y Deffenbaugh	Y Hightower	N Nix	Y Spencer
E Barr	Y Dempsey	Y Hitchens	N Oliver	Y Stephens, M
Y Battles	Y Dickerson	Y Holcomb	N Pak	Y Stephens, R
E Beasley-Teague	Y Dickey	Y Holmes	Y Parrish	Y Stephenson
Y Belton	Y Dickson	N Houston	N Parsons	Y Stovall
N Bennett, K	N Dollar	E Howard	Y Peake	N Stover
Y Bennett, T	Y Douglas	Y Hugley	Y Petrea	N Strickland
Y Bentley	Y Drenner	Y Jackson	Y Pezold	Y Tankersley
Benton	Y Dudgeon	Y Jasperse	Y Pirkle	Y Tanner
N Beskin	Y Dukes	Jones, J	Y Powell, A	Y Tarvin
Y Beverly	Y Dunahoo	Y Jones, J.B.	Y Powell, J	Y Taylor, D
Y Blackmon	Y Duncan	Y Jones, L	N Price	Y Taylor, T
Y Broadrick	Y Ealum	Y Jones, S	N Prince	E Teasley
N Brockway	Y Efrstration	E Jordan	Pruett	Y Thomas, A.M.
Y Bruce	N Ehrhart	Y Kaiser	N Quick	Y Thomas, E
E Bryant	Y England	Y Kelley	N Raffensperger	Y Trammell
Y Buckner	Y Epps	Y Kendrick	E Rakestraw	Y Turner
Y Burns	Y Evans	Y Kidd	Y Ramsey	VACANT
Y Caldwell, J	Y Fleming	Y Kirby	Y Randall	E Waites
Y Caldwell, M	Y Floyd	N Knight	Y Reeves	Y Watson
Y Cantrell	Y Fludd	Y LaRiccica	Y Rhodes	N Welch
Y Carson	Y Frazier	Y Lott	Y Rice	Weldon
Y Carter, A	Y Frye	Y Lumsden	Y Rogers, C	Y Werkheiser
Y Carter, D	Gardner	E Mabra	Y Rogers, T	Y Wilkerson
N Casas	Gasaway	Y Marin	N Rutledge	N Wilkinson
Y Chandler	Y Gilligan	N Martin	N Rynders	N Willard
Y Cheokas	Y Glanton	Y Maxwell	Y Scott	Williams, A
Y Clark, D	Y Golick	E Mayo	E Setzler	Y Williams, C
Y Clark, H	Y Gordon	E McCall	Y Sharper	Y Williams, E
Y Clark, V	N Gravley	Y McClain	Y Shaw	Y Williamson
Y Coleman	Y Greene	Y Meadows	Y Sims	Y Yates
N Cooke	Y Harden	Y Metze	Y Smith, E	Ralston, Speaker

On the passage of the Bill, by substitute, the ayes were 128, nays 28.

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

HB 840. By Representatives Stephens of the 164th, McCall of the 33rd, Greene of the 151st, Parrish of the 158th and Smith of the 70th:

A BILL to be entitled an Act to amend Title 12 and Title 27 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to conservation and natural resources and game and fish, respectively, so as to change provisions relating to rules and regulations used to establish criminal violations; to authorize the grant of wildlife exhibition permits for use by the film industry; to provide for related matters; to provide for an effective date and applicability; to repeal conflicting laws; and for other purposes.

The following Committee substitute was read and adopted:

A BILL TO BE ENTITLED
AN ACT

To amend Title 12 and Title 27 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to conservation and natural resources and game and fish, respectively, so as to change provisions relating to rules and regulations used to establish criminal violations; to revise a definition relating to feral hogs; to authorize the grant of wildlife exhibition permits for use by the film industry; 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.

Title 12 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to conservation and natural resources, is amended in Code Section 12-2-2, relating to the Environmental Protection Division and the Department of Natural Resources generally, by revising paragraph (5) of subsection (c) as follows:

"(5) Notwithstanding any other law to the contrary, for purposes of establishing criminal violations of the standards, rules, and regulations promulgated by the Board of Natural Resources as provided in this title, the term 'standards, rules, and regulations' shall mean those standards, rules, and regulations of the Board of Natural Resources in force and effect on January 1, ~~2013~~ 2016."

SECTION 2.

Title 27 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to game and fish, is amended in Code Section 27-1-2, relating to definitions relative to game and fish, by revising paragraph (28) as follows:

"(28) 'Feral hog' means any hog which is normally considered domestic but which is living in a wild state and cannot be claimed in private ownership has lived any part of its life in a wild, free-ranging state and is currently in such state or has been taken."

SECTION 3.

Said title is further amended by revising Code Section 27-1-39, relating to rules and regulations used to establish criminal violations, as follows:

"27-1-39.

Notwithstanding any other law to the contrary, for purposes of establishing criminal violations of the rules and regulations promulgated by the Board of Natural Resources as provided in this title, the term 'rules and regulations' means those rules and regulations of the Board of Natural Resources in force and effect on January 1, 2015 2016."

SECTION 4.

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

"27-2-13.1.

(a)(1) For purposes of this subsection, the term 'film production' means the creation of film, video, or digital projects in this state, including, but not limited to, the creation of feature films, documentaries, series, pilots, movies for television, advertisements, music videos, and interactive entertainment.

(2) It shall be unlawful for any person to keep, hold, or possess any wildlife in captivity for film production purposes or to otherwise provide wildlife for use in film production without first procuring a film production wildlife permit as provided in Code Section 27-2-23. No wildlife may be possessed by the applicant prior to a film production wildlife permit being granted by the department, unless such wildlife was legally possessed by the applicant prior to the grant of the permit. The department may impose conditions on such permit requiring adequate sanitation facilities, housing, and feed for the animals and insuring the safety of the public in accordance with regulations promulgated by the board.

(3) A permit issued pursuant to this subsection shall authorize the permit holder to transport, possess, or transfer wildlife for any permitted purpose related to film production; provided, however, that possession of a permit shall not exempt the holder from any other local, state, or federal requirements.

(b) It shall be unlawful for any person holding any wildlife in captivity pursuant to a permit issued in accordance with this Code section to release the wildlife from captivity or to house or maintain the wildlife in such a manner as to pose a reasonable possibility that the wildlife may be released accidentally or escape from captivity."

SECTION 5.

Said title is further amended in Code Section 27-2-23, relating to license, permit, tag, and stamp fees, by adding two new subparagraphs to paragraph (8) to read as follows:

<u>"(W) Resident film production wildlife permit</u>	<u>Annual</u>	<u>300.00</u>
<u>"(X) Nonresident film production wildlife permit</u>	<u>Annual</u>	<u>600.00"</u>

SECTION 6.

This Act shall become effective on July 1, 2016, and shall apply to all offenses occurring on or after such date.

SECTION 7.

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

Pursuant to Rule 133, Representative Carson of the 46th was excused from voting on HB 840.

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 Harrell	Y Mitchell	Y Smith, L
Y Alexander	Y Cooper	Y Hatchett	Y Morris	Y Smith, M
N Allison	Y Corbett	Y Hawkins	Y Mosby	Y Smith, R
E Atwood	E Dawkins-Haigler	Henson	Y Nimmer	Y Smyre
Y Ballinger	Y Deffenbaugh	Y Hightower	Y Nix	Y Spencer
Y Barr	Y Dempsey	Y Hitchens	Y Oliver	Y Stephens, M
Y Battles	Y Dickerson	Y Holcomb	Y Pak	Y Stephens, R
E Beasley-Teague	Y Dickey	Y Holmes	Y Parrish	Y Stephenson
Y Belton	Y Dickson	Y Houston	Y Parsons	Y Stovall
Y Bennett, K	Y Dollar	E Howard	Y Peake	Y Stover
Y Bennett, T	Y Douglas	Y Hugley	Y Petrea	Y Strickland
Y Bentley	Y Drenner	Y Jackson	N Pezold	Y Tankersley
Y Benton	Y Dudgeon	Y Jasperse	Y Pirkle	Y Tanner
Y Beskin	Y Dukes	Y Jones, J	Y Powell, A	Y Tarvin
Y Beverly	Y Dunahoo	Y Jones, J.B.	Y Powell, J	Y Taylor, D
Y Blackmon	Y Duncan	Y Jones, L	Y Price	Y Taylor, T
Y Broadrick	Y Ealum	Y Jones, S	Y Prince	E Teasley
Y Brockway	Y Efstraction	E Jordan	Y Pruet	Y Thomas, A.M.
Y Bruce	Y Ehrhart	Y Kaiser	Y Quick	Y Thomas, E
E Bryant	Y England	Y Kelley	Y Raffensperger	Y Trammell
Y Buckner	Y Epps	Y Kendrick	E Rakestraw	Y Turner
Y Burns	Y Evans	Y Kidd	Ramsey	VACANT
Y Caldwell, J	Y Fleming	Y Kirby	Y Randall	E Waites
Y Caldwell, M	Y Floyd	Y Knight	Y Reeves	Y Watson
Y Cantrell	Y Fludd	Y LaRicca	Y Rhodes	Y Welch
Carson	Y Frazier	Y Lott	Y Rice	Weldon

Y Carter, A	Y Frye	Y Lumsden	Y Rogers, C	Y Werkheiser
Y Carter, D	Y Gardner	E Mabra	Y Rogers, T	Y Wilkerson
Y Casas	Gasaway	Marin	Y Rutledge	Y Wilkinson
Y Chandler	Y Gilligan	Y Martin	Y Rynders	Y Willard
Y Cheokas	Glanton	Y Maxwell	Y Scott	Y Williams, A
Y Clark, D	Y Golick	E Mayo	E Setzler	Y Williams, C
Clark, H	Y Gordon	E McCall	Y Sharper	Y Williams, E
Y Clark, V	Y Gravley	Y McClain	Y Shaw	Y Williamson
Y Coleman	Y Greene	Y Meadows	Y Sims	Y Yates
Y Cooke	Y Harden	Y Metze	Y Smith, E	Ralston, Speaker

On the passage of the Bill, by substitute, the ayes were 155, nays 2.

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

HB 844. By Representatives Maxwell of the 17th, Jasperse of the 11th, Buckner of the 137th, Greene of the 151st, Rakestraw of the 19th and others:

A BILL to be entitled an Act to amend Chapter 7 of Title 47 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to the Georgia Firefighters' Pension Fund, so as to update certain provisions related to determining which insurance premiums are subject to taxation related to the fund; to provide that venue for any action brought in the superior court against the fund or the board shall be in the superior court of the board's county of domicile; 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 7 of Title 47 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to the Georgia Firefighters' Pension Fund, so as to update certain language related to determining which insurance premiums are subject to taxation related to the fund; to provide that venue for any action brought in the superior court against the fund or the board shall be in the superior court of the board's county of domicile; to repeal conflicting laws; and for other purposes.

BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF GEORGIA:

SECTION 1.

Chapter 7 of Title 47 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to the Georgia Firefighters' Pension Fund, is amended by revising paragraph (2) of subsection (a) of Code Section 47-7-61, relating to tax on premiums charged by fire insurance companies

for certain classes of coverage, exclusions, and penalty for failure to report and pay such tax, as follows:

"(2) If property covered under any policy for which gross premiums are reported as required by paragraph (1) of this subsection is served by public fire suppression facilities ~~which are, and such property is~~ rated less favorably than a class nine rating under standards set forth in the Fire Suppression Rating Schedule, Section I, Public Fire Suppression, Edition 6-80, Copyright 1980, published by the Insurance Services Office, a rating organization licensed by the Commissioner of Insurance, which schedule is maintained on file with the Commissioner of Insurance as required by general law and which has not been disapproved by the Commissioner, or less than a rating which the board by regulation determines is substantially equivalent under rating standards published by an organization licensed by the Commissioner of Insurance ~~performing~~ utilizing similar rating functions ratings, and which standards are maintained on file with the Commissioner of Insurance and ~~which~~ have not been disapproved by the Commissioner, then and to that extent the premiums under such policy shall be excluded in determining the tax imposed under this Code section. The amount of ~~such~~ any exclusion of such tax shall be reported on the returns filed with the board."

SECTION 2.

Said chapter is further amended by adding a new subsection to Code Section 47-7-124, relating to disposition of funds abandoned by members separated from the service, notice, and limitation on asserting certain claims, to read as follows:

"(d) The venue for actions arising under this chapter brought against the board or the fund in superior court, including, but not limited to, a judicial review of a final decision of the board, shall be in the superior court of the county of domicile of the board."

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:

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| Y Abrams | Y Coomer | Y Harrell | Y Mitchell | Y Smith, L |
| Y Alexander | Y Cooper | Y Hatchett | Y Morris | Y Smith, M |
| Y Allison | Y Corbett | Y Hawkins | Y Mosby | Y Smith, R |
| E Atwood | E Dawkins-Haigler | Y Henson | Y Nimmer | Y Smyre |
| Y Ballinger | Y Deffenbaugh | Y Hightower | Y Nix | Y Spencer |
| Y Barr | Y Dempsey | Y Hitchens | Y Oliver | Y Stephens, M |
| Y Battles | Y Dickerson | Y Holcomb | Y Pak | Y Stephens, R |
| E Beasley-Teague | Y Dickey | Y Holmes | Y Parrish | Y Stephenson |
| Y Belton | Y Dickson | Y Houston | Y Parsons | Y Stovall |

Y Bennett, K	Y Dollar	E Howard	Y Peake	Y Stover
Y Bennett, T	Y Douglas	Y Hugley	Y Petrea	Y Strickland
Y Bentley	Y Drenner	Y Jackson	Y Pezold	Y Tankersley
Y Benton	Y Dudgeon	Y Jasperse	Y Pirkle	Y Tanner
Y Beskin	Y Dukes	Y Jones, J	Y Powell, A	Y Tarvin
Y Beverly	Y Dunahoo	Y Jones, J.B.	Y Powell, J	Y Taylor, D
Y Blackmon	Y Duncan	Y Jones, L	Y Price	Y Taylor, T
Y Broadrick	Y Ealum	Y Jones, S	Y Prince	E Teasley
Y Brockway	Y Efstrotation	E Jordan	Y Pruett	Y Thomas, A.M.
Y Bruce	Y Ehrhart	Y Kaiser	Y Quick	Y Thomas, E
E Bryant	Y England	Y Kelley	Y Raffensperger	Y Trammell
Y Buckner	Y Epps	Y Kendrick	E Rakestraw	Y Turner
Y Burns	Y Evans	Y Kidd	Y Ramsey	VACANT
Y Caldwell, J	Y Fleming	Y Kirby	Y Randall	E Waites
Y Caldwell, M	Y Floyd	Y Knight	Y Reeves	Y Watson
Y Cantrell	Y Fludd	Y LaRiccica	Y Rhodes	Y Welch
Y Carson	Y Frazier	Y Lott	Y Rice	Weldon
Y Carter, A	Y Frye	Y Lumsden	Y Rogers, C	Y Werkheiser
Y Carter, D	Y Gardner	E Mabra	Y Rogers, T	Y Wilkerson
Y Casas	Gasaway	Y Marin	Y Rutledge	Y Wilkinson
Y Chandler	Y Gilligan	Y Martin	Y Rynders	Y Willard
Y Cheokas	Y Glanton	Y Maxwell	Y Scott	Y Williams, A
Y Clark, D	Y Golick	E Mayo	E Setzler	Y Williams, C
Y Clark, H	Y Gordon	E McCall	Y Sharper	Y Williams, E
Y Clark, V	Y Gravley	Y McClain	Y Shaw	Y Williamson
Y Coleman	Y Greene	Y Meadows	Y Sims	Y Yates
Y Cooke	Y Harden	Y Metze	Y Smith, E	Ralston, Speaker

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

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

HB 659. By Representatives Belton of the 112th, Dudgeon of the 25th, Caldwell of the 20th, Nix of the 69th, Glanton of the 75th and others:

A BILL to be entitled an Act to amend Article 2 of Chapter 14 of Title 20 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to education accountability assessment programs, so as to provide transparency of financial information of local school systems and schools, to the greatest extent practicable; to provide for legislative intent; to provide for definitions; to provide for accessibility to certain financial data of a local board of education; to provide for school level budget and expenditure data; to require local school systems and schools to provide certain information on their websites; to provide for certain data and reports; to provide for related matters; to repeal conflicting laws; and for other purposes.

The following Committee substitute was read and adopted:

A BILL TO BE ENTITLED
AN ACT

To amend Article 2 of Chapter 14 of Title 20 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to education accountability assessment programs, so as to provide transparency of financial information of local school systems and schools, to the greatest extent practicable; to provide for legislative intent; to provide for definitions; to provide for accessibility to certain financial data of a local board of education; to provide for school level budget and expenditure data; to require local school systems and schools to provide certain information on their websites; to provide for certain data and reports; 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 2 of Chapter 14 of Title 20 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to education accountability assessment programs, is amended by adding a new part to read as follows:

"Part 3A

20-14-45.

The intent of this part is to provide transparency and accuracy of financial information at the school system and school levels, to the greatest extent practicable. It is the intent of the General Assembly that local school systems and schools provide ready access to all financial information not specifically made confidential by law to the public.

20-14-46.

As used in this part, the term 'office' means the Office of Student Achievement.

20-14-47.

(a) Each local board of education and each state charter school shall make readily accessible to the public the following school site budget and expenditure information for each school not specifically made confidential by law:

(1) The cost of all materials, equipment, and other nonstaff support;

(2) Salary and benefit expenditures for all staff;

(3) The cost of all professional development, including training, materials, and tuition provided for instructional staff on an annual basis;

(4) The total cost of facility maintenance and small capital projects; and

(5) The cost of new construction or major renovation reported on a cost-per-square-foot basis, based on the school system facility plan.

(b) Each local board of education shall make readily accessible to the public the following school system level information:

- (1) The annual budget of the local board of education;
- (2) Annual audits conducted on the finances of the local board of education;
- (3) Ratios of expenditures to revenues;
- (4) The total dollar amount of local property tax revenue the school system is authorized to collect in addition to the total program mill levy; and
- (5) The total dollar amount of all other tax revenue that is collected by the school system.

(c) Each local school system and each state charter school which maintains a website shall post in a prominent location on its website the following preexisting information or a link to where such information can be found:

- (1) The annual budget submitted to the State Board of Education pursuant to subsection (c) of Code Section 20-2-167;
- (2) The annual personnel report prepared by the state auditor pursuant to Code Section 50-6-27;
- (3) The most recent audit conducted by the Department of Audits and Accounts pursuant to subsection (a) of Code Section 50-6-6 and any additional independent audit conducted pursuant to subsection (b) of Code Section 50-6-6;
- (4) Any findings of irregularities or budget deficits reported by the Department of Audits and Accounts pursuant to Code Section 20-2-67; and
- (5) For a local board of education which imposes a sales tax for educational purposes pursuant to Part 2 of Article 3 of Chapter 8 of Title 48, the information required pursuant to Code Section 48-8-141 as provided to the Department of Audits and Accounts for posting on such department's searchable website pursuant to subsection (g) of Code Section 50-6-32.

(d) Each public school which maintains a website shall post in a prominent location on its website links to the following information:

- (1) The financial efficiency ratings for the school published by the office pursuant to Code Section 20-14-34; and
- (2) The webpage where the local school system posted the information listed in paragraphs (1) through (5) of subsection (c) of this Code section.

20-14-48.

(a) No later than January 1, 2017, the State Board of Education shall develop rules and regulations requiring that each local board of education and each state charter school provide information for their respective schools as specified by the state board and which is not specifically made confidential by law, including school site budget and expenditure information. Such rules and regulations shall include a template and definitions of budget and expenditure categories and line items.

(b) As soon as is practicable but no later than October 31, 2017, each local board of education and each state charter school shall publish in a prominent location on their respective websites the school site budget and expenditure information for their

respective schools specified by the state board pursuant to subsection (a) of this Code section utilizing the template and definitions of budget and expenditure categories and line items established by the state board for the most recent fiscal year.

20-14-49.

(a) The office shall report the percentage of students with each state funded characteristic included in Code Section 20-2-161 at the school and school system level.

(b) If funding is available, as determined by the Office of Planning and Budget, the office shall create and publish an online sortable list for each school and school system on per student expenditures used to determine the financial efficiency rating calculated by the office pursuant to Code Section 20-14-33.

(c) The office shall report the relative financial performance of schools and school systems.

(d) The Department of Education shall publish annually on its website all underlying fiscal data that informs the financial efficiency rating calculated by the office pursuant to Code Section 20-14-33 and an explanation of the fiscal data that informs the financial efficiency rating on a disaggregated basis.

(e) All state and local government entities, including the Department of Education, Department of Audits and Accounts, Office of Planning and Budget, the office, and local school systems shall cooperate with and assist each other in complying with this part."

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 Harrell	Y Mitchell	Y Smith, L
Y Alexander	Y Cooper	Y Hatchett	Y Morris	Y Smith, M
Y Allison	Y Corbett	Y Hawkins	Y Mosby	Y Smith, R
E Atwood	E Dawkins-Haigler	Y Henson	Y Nimmer	Y Smyre
Y Ballinger	Y Deffenbaugh	Y Hightower	Y Nix	Y Spencer
Y Barr	Y Dempsey	Y Hitchens	Y Oliver	Y Stephens, M
Y Battles	Y Dickerson	Y Holcomb	Y Pak	Y Stephens, R
E Beasley-Teague	Y Dickey	Y Holmes	Y Parrish	Y Stephenson
Y Belton	Y Dickson	Y Houston	Y Parsons	Y Stovall
Y Bennett, K	Y Dollar	E Howard	Y Peake	Y Stover
Y Bennett, T	Y Douglas	Y Hugley	Y Petrea	Y Strickland
Y Bentley	Y Drenner	Y Jackson	Y Pezold	Y Tankersley
Y Benton	Y Dudgeon	Y Jasperse	Y Pirkle	Y Tanner
Y Beskin	Y Dukes	Y Jones, J	Y Powell, A	Y Tarvin
Y Beverly	Y Dunahoo	Y Jones, J.B.	Y Powell, J	Y Taylor, D
Y Blackmon	Y Duncan	Y Jones, L	Y Price	Y Taylor, T

Y Broadrick	Y Ealum	Y Jones, S	Y Prince	E Teasley
Y Brockway	Y Efstoration	E Jordan	Y Pruett	Y Thomas, A.M.
Y Bruce	Y Ehrhart	Y Kaiser	Y Quick	Y Thomas, E
E Bryant	Y England	Y Kelley	Y Raffensperger	Y Trammell
Y Buckner	Y Epps	Y Kendrick	E Rakestraw	Y Turner
Y Burns	Y Evans	Y Kidd	Y Ramsey	VACANT
Y Caldwell, J	Y Fleming	Y Kirby	Y Randall	E Waites
Y Caldwell, M	Y Floyd	Y Knight	Y Reeves	Y Watson
Y Cantrell	Fludd	Y LaRiccia	Y Rhodes	Y Welch
Y Carson	Y Frazier	Y Lott	Y Rice	Weldon
Y Carter, A	Y Frye	Y Lumsden	Y Rogers, C	Y Werkheiser
Y Carter, D	Y Gardner	E Mabra	Y Rogers, T	Y Wilkerson
Y Casas	Y Gasaway	Y Marin	Y Rutledge	Y Wilkinson
Y Chandler	Y Gilligan	Y Martin	Y Rynders	Y Willard
Y Cheokas	Y Glanton	Y Maxwell	Y Scott	Y Williams, A
Y Clark, D	Y Glick	E Mayo	E Setzler	Y Williams, C
Y Clark, H	Y Gordon	E McCall	Y Sharper	Y Williams, E
Y Clark, V	Y Gravley	Y McClain	Y Shaw	Y Williamson
Y Coleman	Y Greene	Y Meadows	Y Sims	Y Yates
Y Cooke	Y Harden	Y Metze	Smith, E	Ralston, Speaker

On the passage of the Bill, by substitute, the ayes were 162, nays 0.

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

HB 726. By Representatives Tanner of the 9th, Powell of the 32nd, Harrell of the 106th, Peake of the 141st, Duncan of the 26th and others:

A BILL to be entitled an Act to amend Chapter 11 of Title 48 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to taxes on tobacco products, so as to clarify that certain charges are not subject to state excise tax; 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.

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

Y Abrams	Y Coomer	Y Harrell	Y Mitchell	Y Smith, L
Y Alexander	Y Cooper	Y Hatchett	Y Morris	Y Smith, M
Y Allison	Y Corbett	Y Hawkins	Y Mosby	Y Smith, R
E Atwood	E Dawkins-Haigler	Y Henson	Y Nimmer	Y Smyre
Y Ballinger	Y Deffenbaugh	Y Hightower	Y Nix	Y Spencer
Y Barr	Y Dempsey	Y Hitchens	Y Oliver	Y Stephens, M
Y Battles	Y Dickerson	Y Holcomb	Y Pak	Y Stephens, R
E Beasley-Teague	Y Dickey	Y Holmes	Y Parrish	Y Stephenson
Y Belton	Y Dickson	Y Houston	Y Parsons	Y Stovall
Y Bennett, K	Y Dollar	E Howard	Y Peake	Y Stover

Y Bennett, T	Y Douglas	Y Hugley	Y Petrea	Y Strickland
Y Bentley	Y Drenner	Y Jackson	Y Pezold	Y Tankersley
Y Benton	Y Dudgeon	Y Jasperse	Y Pirkle	Y Tanner
Y Beskin	Y Duker	Y Jones, J	Y Powell, A	Y Tarvin
Y Beverly	Y Dunahoo	Y Jones, J.B.	Y Powell, J	Y Taylor, D
Y Blackmon	Y Duncan	Y Jones, L	Y Price	Y Taylor, T
Y Broadrick	Y Ealum	Y Jones, S	Y Prince	E Teasley
Y Brockway	Y Efrstration	E Jordan	Y Pruett	Y Thomas, A.M.
Y Bruce	Y Ehrhart	Y Kaiser	Y Quick	Y Thomas, E
E Bryant	Y England	Y Kelley	Y Raffensperger	Y Trammell
Y Buckner	Y Epps	Y Kendrick	E Rakestraw	Y Turner
Y Burns	Y Evans	Y Kidd	Y Ramsey	VACANT
Y Caldwell, J	Y Fleming	Y Kirby	Y Randall	E Waites
Y Caldwell, M	Y Floyd	Y Knight	Y Reeves	Y Watson
Y Cantrell	Y Fludd	Y LaRiccica	Y Rhodes	Y Welch
Y Carson	Y Frazier	Y Lott	Y Rice	Weldon
Y Carter, A	Y Frye	Y Lumsden	Y Rogers, C	Y Werkheiser
Y Carter, D	Y Gardner	E Mabra	Y Rogers, T	Y Wilkerson
Y Casas	Y Gasaway	Y Marin	Y Rutledge	Y Wilkinson
Y Chandler	Y Gilligan	Y Martin	Y Rynders	Y Willard
Cheokas	Y Glanton	Y Maxwell	Y Scott	Y Williams, A
Y Clark, D	Y Golick	E Mayo	E Setzler	Y Williams, C
Y Clark, H	Y Gordon	E McCall	Y Sharper	Y Williams, E
Y Clark, V	Y Gravley	Y McClain	Y Shaw	Y Williamson
Y Coleman	Y Greene	Y Meadows	Y Sims	Y Yates
Y Cooke	Y Harden	Y Metze	Y Smith, E	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 Bill of the House, having been postponed from the previous legislative day, was taken up for consideration and read the third time:

HB 870. By Representatives Strickland of the 111th, England of the 116th, Meadows of the 5th, Dudgeon of the 25th, Reeves of the 34th 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 high schools that receive state funding cannot participate in an athletic association which prohibits religious expression on the clothing of student athletes; to provide that high schools that receive state funding cannot participate in an athletic association which prohibits member schools from organizing and playing scrimmage matches, games, or other athletic competitions with nonmember schools; 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:

N Abrams	Y Coomer	Y Harrell	Y Mitchell	Y Smith, L
N Alexander	Y Cooper	Y Hatcher	Y Morris	N Smith, M
Y Allison	Y Corbett	Y Hawkins	Y Mosby	Y Smith, R
E Atwood	E Dawkins-Haigler	N Henson	Y Nimmer	Y Smyre
Y Ballinger	Y Deffenbaugh	Y Hightower	Y Nix	Y Spencer
Y Barr	Y Dempsey	Y Hitchens	Y Oliver	N Stephens, M
Y Battles	N Dickerson	Y Holcomb	Y Pak	Y Stephens, R
E Beasley-Teague	Y Dickey	Y Holmes	Y Parrish	Y Stephenson
Y Belton	Y Dickson	Y Houston	Y Parsons	Y Stovall
N Bennett, K	Y Dollar	E Howard	Y Peake	Y Stover
N Bennett, T	Y Douglas	N Hugley	Y Petrea	Y Strickland
Y Bentley	N Drenner	Y Jackson	Y Pezold	Y Tankersley
Benton	Y Dudgeon	Y Jasperse	Y Pirkle	Y Tanner
Y Beskin	N Dukes	Y Jones, J	Y Powell, A	Y Tarvin
N Beverly	Y Dunahoo	Y Jones, J.B.	Y Powell, J	Y Taylor, D
Y Blackmon	Y Duncan	Y Jones, L	Y Price	Y Taylor, T
Y Broadrick	Y Ealum	Y Jones, S	Y Prince	E Teasley
Y Brockway	Y Efration	E Jordan	Y Pruett	Y Thomas, A.M.
Y Bruce	Y Ehrhart	Y Kaiser	Y Quick	N Thomas, E
E Bryant	Y England	Y Kelley	Y Raffensperger	Y Trammell
Y Buckner	Y Epps	N Kendrick	E Rakestraw	Y Turner
Y Burns	N Evans	Y Kidd	Y Ramsey	VACANT
Y Caldwell, J	Y Fleming	Y Kirby	Y Randall	E Waites
Y Caldwell, M	N Floyd	Y Knight	Y Reeves	Y Watson
Y Cantrell	N Fludd	Y LaRiccica	Y Rhodes	Y Welch
Y Carson	N Frazier	Y Lott	Y Rice	Weldon
Y Carter, A	Y Frye	Y Lumsden	Y Rogers, C	Werkheiser
N Carter, D	Gardner	E Mabra	Y Rogers, T	N Wilkerson
Y Casas	Y Gasaway	Y Marin	Y Rutledge	Y Wilkinson
Y Chandler	Y Gilligan	Y Martin	Y Rynders	Y Willard
Y Cheokas	Y Glanton	Y Maxwell	Y Scott	Y Williams, A
Y Clark, D	Y Golick	E Mayo	E Setzler	Y Williams, C
Y Clark, H	N Gordon	E McCall	Y Sharper	N Williams, E
Y Clark, V	Y Gravley	N McClain	Y Shaw	Y Williamson
Y Coleman	Y Greene	Y Meadows	Y Sims	Y Yates
Y Cooke	Y Harden	N Metze	N Smith, E	Ralston, Speaker

On the passage of the Bill, the ayes were 136, nays 25.

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

HB 509. By Representatives Petrea of the 166th, Stephens of the 164th, Tankersley of the 160th, Hitchens of the 161st and Williams of the 119th:

A BILL to be entitled an Act to amend Chapter 7 of Title 31 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to health care facilities, so as to

implement initiatives to improve quality and delivery of patient centered and family focused palliative care in this state; to provide for legislative intent; to provide for definitions; to create the Georgia Palliative Care and Quality of Life Advisory Council; to establish a state-wide Palliative Care Consumer and Professional Information and Education Program; 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 7 of Title 31 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to health care facilities, so as to implement initiatives to improve quality and delivery of patient centered and family focused palliative care in this state; to provide for legislative intent; to provide for definitions; to create the Georgia Palliative Care and Quality of Life Advisory Council; to establish a state-wide Palliative Care Consumer and Professional Information and Education Program; 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 7 of Title 31 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to health care facilities, is amended by revising Article 10, which is reserved, to read as follows:

"ARTICLE 10

31-7-190.

The intent of the General Assembly in enacting this article is to improve quality and delivery of patient centered and family focused palliative care in this state.

31-7-191.

As used in this article, the term:

(1) 'Advanced and progressive disease' means a serious, life-threatening medical condition which is irreversible and which will continue indefinitely, where there is no reasonable hope of recovery, but where the patient's medical prognosis is one in which there is a life expectancy of up to two years. This term does not include terminally ill patients.

(2) 'Commissioner' means the commissioner of community health.

(3) 'Department' means the Department of Community Health.

(4) 'Georgia Palliative Care and Quality of Life Advisory Council' or 'council' means the advisory council created pursuant to Code Section 31-7-192.

(5) 'Health care facility' means hospitals; other special care units, including but not limited to podiatric facilities; skilled nursing facilities; intermediate care facilities; assisted living communities; personal care homes; ambulatory surgical or obstetrical facilities; health maintenance organizations; home health agencies; and diagnostic, treatment, or rehabilitation centers.

(6) 'License' means a license issued by the department.

(7) 'Palliative care' means those interventions which are intended to alleviate suffering and to achieve relief from, reduction of, or elimination of pain and of other physical, emotional, social, or spiritual symptoms of distress to achieve the best quality of life for the patients and their families.

(8) 'Terminally ill' means that the individual is experiencing an illness for which therapeutic intervention directed toward cure of the disease is no longer appropriate, and the patient's medical prognosis is one in which there is a life expectancy of six months or less.

31-7-192.

(a) There is hereby created the Georgia Palliative Care and Quality of Life Advisory Council within the department. The council shall be composed of nine members. Councilmembers shall be appointed by the commissioner and shall include interdisciplinary palliative care medical, nursing, social work, pharmacy, and spiritual professional expertise; patient and family caregiver advocate representation; and any relevant appointees from the department or other state entities or councils that the commissioner deems pertinent. Membership shall specifically include health professionals who have palliative care work experience or expertise in palliative care delivery models in a variety of inpatient, outpatient, and community settings, such as acute care, long-term care, or hospice, and with a variety of populations, including pediatric, youth, and adult patients. At least two councilmembers shall be board-certified hospice and palliative medicine physicians or nurses.

(b) Councilmembers shall serve for a period of three years. Councilmembers shall serve at the pleasure of the commissioner. The members shall elect a chairperson and vice chairperson whose duties shall be established by the council.

(c) The department shall fix a time and place for regular meetings of the council, which shall meet at least twice yearly. Councilmembers shall receive no compensation for their services but shall be allowed actual and necessary expenses in the performance of their duties.

(d) The council shall consult with and advise the department on matters related to the establishment, maintenance, operation, and outcomes evaluation of palliative care initiatives in this state.

31-7-193.

(a) There is established a state-wide Palliative Care Consumer and Professional Information and Education Program within the department.

(b) The purpose of the Palliative Care Consumer and Professional Information and Education Program shall be to maximize the effectiveness of palliative care initiatives in this state by ensuring that comprehensive and accurate information and education about palliative care is available to the public, health care providers, and health care facilities.

(c) The department shall publish on its website information and resources, including links to external resources, about palliative care for the public, health care providers, and health care facilities. This shall include, but not be limited to, continuing educational opportunities for health care providers; information about palliative care delivery in the home, primary, secondary, and tertiary environments; best practices for palliative care delivery; and consumer educational materials and referral information for palliative care, including hospice.

(d) The department may develop and implement any other initiatives regarding palliative care services and education that it determines would further the purposes of this Code section.

(e) The department shall consult with the Georgia Palliative Care and Quality of Life Advisory Council in implementing this Code section. ~~Reserved.~~"

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	N Harrell	Y Mitchell	Y Smith, L
Y Alexander	Y Cooper	Y Hatchett	Y Morris	Y Smith, M
N Allison	Y Corbett	Y Hawkins	Y Mosby	Y Smith, R
Y Atwood	E Dawkins-Haigler	Y Henson	Y Nimmer	Y Smyre
Y Ballinger	Y Deffenbaugh	N Hightower	Y Nix	N Spencer
Y Barr	Y Dempsey	Y Hitchens	Y Oliver	Y Stephens, M
Y Battles	Y Dickerson	Y Holcomb	N Pak	Stephens, R
E Beasley-Teague	Y Dickey	Y Holmes	Y Parrish	Y Stephenson
Y Belton	Y Dickson	Y Houston	Y Parsons	Y Stovall
Y Bennett, K	Y Dollar	E Howard	Y Peake	N Stover
Y Bennett, T	Y Douglas	Y Hugley	Y Petrea	Y Strickland
Y Bentley	N Drenner	Y Jackson	N Pezold	Y Tankersley
Y Benton	Y Dudgeon	Y Jasperse	Y Pirkle	E Tanner
Y Beskin	Y Dukes	Y Jones, J	Y Powell, A	N Tarvin
Y Beverly	Y Dunahoo	Y Jones, J.B.	Y Powell, J	N Taylor, D
Y Blackmon	N Duncan	Y Jones, L	Y Price	Y Taylor, T
Y Broadrick	Y Ealum	Y Jones, S	Y Prince	E Teasley
N Brockway	N Efrstration	E Jordan	Y Pruett	Y Thomas, A.M.
Y Bruce	Y Ehrhart	Y Kaiser	N Quick	Y Thomas, E
E Bryant	Y England	Y Kelley	N Raffensperger	Y Trammell
Y Buckner	Y Epps	Y Kendrick	E Rakestraw	N Turner

Y Burns	Y Evans	Y Kidd	Y Ramsey	VACANT
Y Caldwell, J	Y Fleming	N Kirby	Y Randall	E Waites
N Caldwell, M	Y Floyd	Y Knight	Y Reeves	Y Watson
Y Cantrell	Y Fludd	Y LaRiccica	Y Rhodes	N Welch
Y Carson	Y Frazier	Y Lott	Y Rice	Weldon
Carter, A	Y Frye	Y Lumsden	Y Rogers, C	Y Werkheiser
Y Carter, D	Gardner	E Mabra	Y Rogers, T	Y Wilkerson
Y Casas	Y Gasaway	Y Marin	Y Rutledge	Y Wilkinson
Y Chandler	N Gilligan	Y Martin	Y Rynders	Y Willard
Y Cheokas	Y Glanton	Y Maxwell	Y Scott	Y Williams, A
Y Clark, D	Y Golick	E Mayo	E Setzler	Y Williams, C
N Clark, H	Y Gordon	E McCall	Y Sharper	Y Williams, E
Y Clark, V	N Gravley	Y McClain	Y Shaw	Y Williamson
Y Coleman	Y Greene	Y Meadows	Y Sims	Y Yates
N Cooke	Y Harden	Y Metzke	Y Smith, E	Ralston, Speaker

On the passage of the Bill, by substitute, the ayes were 138, nays 23.

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

Representative Prince of the 127th moved that the following Bill of the House be withdrawn from the Committee on Ways & Means and recommitted to the Committee on Judiciary:

HB 938. By Representatives Prince of the 127th, Rice of the 95th, Drenner of the 85th, Powell of the 171st, Glanton of the 75th and others:

A BILL to be entitled an Act to amend Chapter 4 of Title 48 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to tax sales, so as to provide for maintenance of the property so sold; to provide for related matters; to repeal conflicting laws; and for other purposes.

The motion prevailed.

The following Resolutions of the House were read and adopted:

HR 1328. By Representatives Chandler of the 105th, Dunahoo of the 30th and Pak of the 108th:

A RESOLUTION commending Noah Wilson, Grayson High School's 2016 STAR Student; and for other purposes.

HR 1329. By Representative Belton of the 112th:

A RESOLUTION recognizing and commending the 2015 Morgan County High School softball team; and for other purposes.

HR 1330. By Representatives Carson of the 46th and Dollar of the 45th:

A RESOLUTION commending the Johnson Ferry Christian Academy; and for other purposes.

HR 1331. By Representatives Greene of the 151st and Ealum of the 153rd:

A RESOLUTION recognizing and commending the Georgia State African American Chamber of Commerce; and for other purposes.

HR 1332. By Representative Greene of the 151st:

A RESOLUTION commending Ms. Martha Nelson Jones, of Terrell County, Georgia, an educator and motivator; and for other purposes.

HR 1333. By Representatives Peake of the 141st, Pezold of the 133rd, Kaiser of the 59th, Harrell of the 106th, Meadows of the 5th and others:

A RESOLUTION commending Kevin Rathbun, Cliff Bramble, and Kirk Parks on being named Georgia's Restaurateurs of the Year; and for other purposes.

HR 1334. By Representatives Abrams of the 89th, Benton of the 31st, Sharper of the 177th, Hugley of the 136th and Kirby of the 114th:

A RESOLUTION honoring kinship caregivers in the State of Georgia; and for other purposes.

HR 1335. By Representatives Oliver of the 82nd, Gardner of the 57th, Abrams of the 89th and Mabra of the 63rd:

A RESOLUTION recognizing the Emory Scholars Program; and for other purposes.

HR 1336. By Representatives Mabra of the 63rd and Oliver of the 82nd:

A RESOLUTION recognizing Dr. Mary Spraker; and for other purposes.

HR 1337. By Representatives Carter of the 175th, Shaw of the 176th, Corbett of the 174th, Sharper of the 177th, Ralston of the 7th and others:

A RESOLUTION recognizing February 24, 2016, as Valdosta State University Day at the capitol and commending student leaders at Valdosta State University; and for other purposes.

HR 1338. By Representatives Williams of the 168th, Stephens of the 164th, Clark of the 101st, Price of the 48th and Smith of the 41st:

A RESOLUTION recognizing Mariyah Carter; and for other purposes.

HR 1339. By Representatives Coomer of the 14th, Duncan of the 26th, Casas of the 107th, Battles of the 15th and Teasley of the 37th:

A RESOLUTION recognizing and commending Dr. Paul L. Walker; and for other purposes.

HR 1340. By Representative Waites of the 60th:

A RESOLUTION Recognizing Sheriff Janis G. Mangum; and for other purposes.

Representative Martin of the 49th District, Chairman of the Committee on Budget and Fiscal Affairs Oversight, submitted the following report:

Mr. Speaker:

Your Committee on Budget and Fiscal Affairs Oversight 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 745 Do Pass

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

Representative Greene of the 151st District, Chairman of the Committee on Code Revision, submitted the following report:

Mr. Speaker:

Your Committee on Code Revision 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 486 Do Pass

Respectfully submitted,
/s/ Greene of the 151st
Chairman

Representative Yates of the 73rd District, Chairman of the Committee on Defense and Veterans Affairs, submitted the following report:

Mr. Speaker:

Your Committee on Defense and Veterans Affairs 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 913 Do Pass

Respectfully submitted,
/s/ Yates of the 73rd
Chairman

Representative Rynders of the 152nd District, Chairman of the Committee on Governmental Affairs, submitted the following report:

Mr. Speaker:

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

HB 676	Do Pass, by Substitute	HB 772	Do Pass
HB 781	Do Pass, by Substitute	HB 885	Do Pass
HR 900	Do Pass, by Substitute		

Respectfully submitted,
/s/ Rynders of the 152nd
Chairman

Representative Shaw of the 176th District, Chairman of the Committee on Industry and Labor, submitted the following report:

Mr. Speaker:

Your Committee on Industry and Labor 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 818	Do Pass
HB 903	Do Pass
HB 904	Do Pass

Respectfully submitted,
/s/ Shaw of the 176th
Chairman

Representative Burns of the 159th moved that the House stand in recess until 4:00 o'clock, P.M., at which time the House will stand adjourned until 10:00 o'clock, tomorrow morning.

The Speaker announced the House in recess until 4:00 o'clock, P.M., at which time the House will stand adjourned until 10:00 o'clock, tomorrow morning.