

Representative Hall, Atlanta, Georgia**Tuesday, March 8, 2016****Thirty-Third 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	Cooke	Gravley	McClain	Smith, L
Alexander	Coomer	Greene	Meadows	Smith, M
E Allison	Cooper	Harden	Metze	Smith, R
Atwood	Corbett	Harrell	Mitchell	Smyre
Ballinger	Dawkins-Haigler	Hatchett	Morris	Spencer
Barr	Deffenbaugh	Hawkins	Mosby	Stephens, M
Battles	Dempsey	E Henson	Nimmer	Stephens, R
Beasley-Teague	Dickerson	Hightower	Nix	E Stephenson
Belton	Dickey	Hitchens	Oliver	Stovall
Bennett, K	Dickson	Holcomb	Parrish	E Stover
Bennett, T	E Dollar	Holmes	Parsons	Strickland
Bentley	Douglas	Houston	Petrea	Tankersley
Benton	E Drenner	Howard	Pezold	Tanner
Beskin	Dudgeon	Hugley	Pirkle	Tarvin
Beverly	Dukes	Jackson	Powell, A	Taylor, D
Broadrick	Dunahoo	Jasperse	Powell, J	Taylor, T
Brockway	Duncan	Jones, J	Price	Teasley
Bruce	Ealum	Jones, J.B.	Prince	Thomas, A.M.
E Bryant	Efstration	Jones, L	Pruett	Thomas, E
Buckner	Ehrhart	Jones, S	Quick	Trammell
Burns	England	Kaiser	Raffensperger	Turner
Caldwell, J	Epps	Kelley	Rakestraw	Waites
Caldwell, M	Evans	Kendrick	Ramsey	Watson
Cannon	Fleming	Kidd	Rhodes	Welch
Cantrell	E Floyd	Knight	Rice	Weldon
Carson	Fludd	LaRiccica	Rogers, C	Werkheiser
Carter, A	Frazier	Lott	Rogers, T	Wilkerson
Carter, D	Frye	Lumsden	Rutledge	Wilkinson
E Casas	Gardner	Mabra	Rynders	Willard
Chandler	Gasaway	Marin	Scott	Williams, A
Cheokas	Gilligan	Martin	Sharper	Williams, C
Clark, D	Glanton	Maxwell	Shaw	Williams, E
Clark, H	E Golick	Mayo	Sims	Williamson
Clark, V	Gordon	McCall	Smith, E	Ralston, Speaker
Coleman				

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

Representatives Blackmon of the 146th, Jordan of the 77th, Kirby of the 114th, Pak of the 108th, Peake of the 141st, Randall of the 142nd, Reeves of the 34th, and Setzler of the 35th.

They wished to be recorded as present.

Prayer was offered by Pastor Spencer Nix, Isaac's Keep Church, Canton, 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 1117. By Representatives Quick of the 117th, Williams of the 119th and Frye of the 118th:

A BILL to be entitled an Act to amend an Act creating the Downtown Athens Development Authority, approved March 23, 1977 (Ga. L. 1977, p. 3533), as amended, which authority was created pursuant to an amendment to the Constitution as contained in Ga. L. 1975, p. 1698, and amended by Ga. L.

1976, p. 1912; to define and create the Downtown Athens Area; to provide for other matters relative to the foregoing; to provide effective dates; to repeal conflicting laws; and for other purposes.

Referred to the Committee on Intragovernmental Coordination - Local.

HB 1118. By Representative Jackson of the 128th:

A BILL to be entitled an Act to provide for the filling of vacancies on the Washington County Hospital Authority; to provide for the filling of vacancies; to provide for related matters; to repeal conflicting laws; and for other purposes.

Referred to the Committee on Intragovernmental Coordination - Local.

HB 1119. By Representatives Petrea of the 166th, Stephens of the 164th, Hitchens of the 161st, Stephens of the 165th and Gordon of the 163rd:

A BILL to be entitled an Act to abolish the office of elected county surveyor of Chatham County; to provide that the person currently serving as elected county surveyor shall serve the remainder of his or her term; 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 1120. By Representative Burns of the 159th:

A BILL to be entitled an Act to authorize the governing authority of the Board of Commissioners of Screven County 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 1121. By Representatives Pezold of the 133rd and Buckner of the 137th:

A BILL to be entitled an Act to amend an Act to provide for a new charter for the City of Hamilton, approved April 10, 2014 (Ga. L. 2014, p. 4118), so as to change provisions related to residing or being a resident of the city to being domiciled in such city; to provide that the failure of the mayor to regularly attend city council meetings shall be considered forfeiture of office;

to eliminate the position of the city manager; to transfer certain duties from the city manager to the mayor; to fix a cross-reference; to repeal conflicting laws; and for other purposes.

Referred to the Committee on Intragovernmental Coordination - Local.

HB 1122. By Representative Rhodes of the 120th:

A BILL to be entitled an Act to create a board of elections and registration for Oglethorpe County; to provide for its powers and duties; to provide for definitions; to provide for the composition of the board and the selection and appointment of members and an elections supervisor; to provide for the qualifications, terms, and removal of members; to provide for vacancies; to provide for oaths and privileges; to provide for the conduct of primaries and elections; to provide for meetings; to authorize the conduct of municipal elections; to allow for joint primaries; to authorize expenditure of public funds; to provide compensation for board members; to provide for offices, supplies, and other materials; to provide for related matters; to repeal conflicting laws; and for other purposes.

Referred to the Committee on Intragovernmental Coordination - Local.

HB 1123. By Representatives Blackmon of the 146th, Clark of the 147th, Harden of the 148th, Epps of the 144th and Dickey of the 140th:

A BILL to be entitled an Act to amend an Act authorizing the governing authority of the City of Warner Robins to levy an excise tax pursuant to subsection (b) of Code Section 48-13-51 of the O.C.G.A., approved May 11, 2009 (Ga. L. 2009, p. 3981), as amended, particularly by an Act approved May 12, 2015 (Ga. L. 2015, p. 4161), so as to identify the projects or tourism product development purposes and specify the allocation of proceeds of the excise tax; to provide for related matters; to repeal conflicting laws; and for other purposes.

Referred to the Committee on Intragovernmental Coordination - Local.

HB 1124. By Representative Pirkle of the 155th:

A BILL to be entitled an Act to reconstitute the Ocilla-Irwin County Industrial Development Authority; to provide for powers, authority, funds, purposes, and procedures connected therewith; to repeal the amendment to the Constitution of Georgia creating the previous Ocilla-Irwin County Industrial Development Authority; to provide for a referendum with respect

to the effectiveness of the foregoing; to provide for contingent effective dates; to provide for related matters; to repeal conflicting laws; and for other purposes.

Referred to the Committee on Intragovernmental Coordination - Local.

HB 1125. By Representative Morris of the 156th:

A BILL to be entitled an Act to provide a new charter for the City of Surrency, formerly the Town of Surrency; to provide for related matters; to repeal conflicting laws; and for other purposes.

Referred to the Committee on Intragovernmental Coordination - Local.

HB 1126. By Representative Morris of the 156th:

A BILL to be entitled an Act to provide a new charter for the City of Graham; to provide for other matters relative to the foregoing; to provide a specific repealer; to provide an effective date; to repeal conflicting laws; and for other purposes.

Referred to the Committee on Intragovernmental Coordination - Local.

HB 1127. By Representative Morris of the 156th:

A BILL to be entitled an Act to create the City of Vidalia Convention and Visitor's Bureau Authority as a public body corporate and politic, a political subdivision of the state, and a public corporation, to have the responsibility and authority to promote tourism, trade, and conventions in the City of Vidalia, Georgia; to provide for creation and organization of the authority; to provide for a purpose; to provide for powers, duties, and authority; to provide for a board of directors, membership, terms of office, and removal from office; to provide for an executive director and his or her duties and powers; to provide for meetings; to limit liability; to provide for a budget and finances; to provide for oversight; to provide that the city not be bound; to provide for related matters; to repeal conflicting laws; and for other purposes.

Referred to the Committee on Intragovernmental Coordination - Local.

HB 1128. By Representative Cheokas of the 138th:

A BILL to be entitled an Act to reconstitute the Chattahoochee County Board of Education with staggered terms and nonpartisan elections for members; to

repeal the amendment to the Constitution of Georgia creating a new board of education for Chattahoochee County, approved March 25, 1958 (Ga. L. 1958, p. 603), which was continued under the 1983 Constitution of the State of Georgia by an Act approved March 20, 1986 (Ga. L. 1986, p. 4311); to provide for a referendum with respect to the foregoing; to provide for a contingent effective date; to provide for a contingent automatic repeal; to provide for related matters; to repeal conflicting laws; and for other purposes.

Referred to the Committee on Intragovernmental Coordination - Local.

HR 1592. By Representatives Clark of the 101st, Benton of the 31st, Evans of the 42nd, Frye of the 118th, Chandler of the 105th and others:

A RESOLUTION creating the House Study Committee on Child Care Assistance; and for other purposes.

Referred to the Committee on Special Rules.

HR 1605. By Representatives Martin of the 49th, Jones of the 47th, Brockway of the 102nd, Willard of the 51st and Setzler of the 35th:

A RESOLUTION creating the House Study Committee on Regional Transit Solutions; and for other purposes.

Referred to the Committee on Special Rules.

HR 1606. By Representative Teasley of the 37th:

A RESOLUTION creating the House Study Committee on the Affordability of Burial Services; and for other purposes.

Referred to the Committee on Special Rules.

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

HB 1112
HB 1114
HB 1116
HR 1576
SB 412

HB 1113
HB 1115
HR 1575
HR 1577
SB 421

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 1092	Do Pass	HB 1093	Do Pass
HB 1097	Do Pass	HB 1101	Do Pass
HB 1102	Do Pass	HB 1104	Do Pass
HB 1105	Do Pass	HB 1108	Do Pass
HB 1109	Do Pass	HB 1110	Do Pass
HB 1111	Do Pass	SB 225	Do Pass, by Substitute
SB 339	Do Pass	SB 340	Do Pass
SB 341	Do Pass	SB 342	Do Pass
SB 343	Do Pass	SB 358	Do Pass
SB 359	Do Pass	SB 360	Do Pass
SB 361	Do Pass	SB 362	Do Pass, by Substitute
SB 380	Do Pass	SB 390	Do Pass

Respectfully submitted,
/s/ Tankersley of the 160th
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 bill of the Senate:

SB 221. By Senators VanNess of the 43rd, Davenport of the 44th, Jones of the 10th and Parent of the 42nd:

A BILL to be entitled an Act to provide for the incorporation of the City of Greenhaven in DeKalb County, Georgia; to provide for related matters; to provide an effective date; to repeal conflicting laws; and for other purposes.

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

HB 172. By Representatives Lumsden of the 12th, Powell of the 32nd, Hitchens of the 161st, Caldwell of the 131st, Tanner of the 9th and others:

A BILL to be entitled an Act to amend Article 1 of Chapter 7 of Title 52 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to general provisions relative to the registration, operation, and sale of watercraft, so as to revise the types of vessels that are applicable to the operation of watercraft while under the influence of alcohol, toxic vapors, or drugs; to provide for definitions; to provide for related matters; to repeal conflicting laws; and for other purposes.

HB 370. By Representatives Fleming of the 121st, Wilkerson of the 38th, Fludd of the 64th, England of the 116th, Powell of the 32nd and others:

A BILL to be entitled an Act to amend Chapter 5 of Title 21 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to ethics in government, so as to provide for waivers of certain civil penalties and fees incurred by candidates for local elected office; to provide for exceptions; to provide for refunds of certain civil penalties and fees; to provide for legislative findings; to provide for related matters; to provide an effective date; to repeal conflicting laws; and for other purposes.

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

SB 221. By Senators Ramsey, Sr. of the 43rd, Davenport of the 44th, Jones of the 10th and Parent of the 42nd:

A BILL to be entitled an Act to provide for the incorporation of the City of Greenhaven in DeKalb County, Georgia; 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.

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

Representatives Meadows of the 5th et al., Ballinger of the 23rd et al., Kidd of the 145th, Stovall of the 74th, and Kaiser of the 59th.

The Speaker Pro Tem assumed the Chair.

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

Representatives Glanton of the 75th, Dawkins-Haigler of the 91st, Bruce of the 61st et al., Dunahoo of the 30th, Corbett of the 174th, Beasley-Teague of the 65th, Stephens of the 164th et al., Smith of the 70th, Thomas of the 56th, Meadows of the 5th, and Gardner of the 57th.

The Speaker assumed the Chair.

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

Representatives Jones of the 53rd, Bentley of the 139th, Frazier of the 126th, and Carter of the 92nd.

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

HB 1110. By Representative Dickey of the 140th:

A BILL to be entitled an Act to provide for the unified government of Roberta-Crawford County; to provide for boundaries and districts; to provide for powers and duties; to provide for organization, qualifications, election, terms, compensation, and filling of vacancies; to provide for associated offices, departments, agencies, and personnel; to provide for budgets and financial matters; to provide for a transition period; to provide for the repeal of certain Acts; to provide for a referendum; to provide for related matters; to repeal conflicting laws; and for other purposes.

Representative Beskin of the 54th moved that the following Bill of the Senate be removed from the Local Calendar and voted on separately:

SB 343. By Senator Parent of the 42nd:

A BILL to be entitled an Act to provide a homestead exemption from City of Decatur independent school district ad valorem taxes for educational purposes for five years in the full amount of the assessed value of the homestead for residents of that school district who are 65 years of age or older; to provide for definitions; to specify the terms and conditions of the exemption and the procedures relating thereto; to provide for applicability; to provide for a referendum, effective dates, and automatic repeal; to repeal conflicting laws; and for other purposes.

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

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

On the motion, the ayes were 95, nays 56.

The motion prevailed.

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

HB 1092. By Representatives Rogers of the 10th and Gasaway of the 28th:

A BILL to be entitled an Act to repeal an Act creating the Habersham County Airport Authority, approved April 20, 2011 (Ga. L. 2011, p. 3684); to provide for the assets and encumbrances thereof; to provide for related matters; to provide for an effective date; to repeal conflicting laws; and for other purposes.

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

HB 1093. By Representatives Hightower of the 68th, Nix of the 69th, Cooke of the 18th and Smith of the 70th:

A BILL to be entitled an Act to amend an Act providing that the tax commissioner of Carroll County shall retain 1 percent of educational funds collected by said officer and remit the same to the governing authority of Carroll County to reimburse the county for the cost of collecting school taxes, approved March 27, 1998 (Ga. L. 1998, p. 3698), so as to increase the percentage of educational funds retained and remitted by said officer for said purpose to the governing authority of Carroll County; to provide a statement of intention and authority; to provide for related matters; to repeal conflicting laws; and for other purposes.

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

HB 1097. By Representatives Yates of the 73rd, Fludd of the 64th, Mabra of the 63rd and Ramsey of the 72nd:

A BILL to be entitled an Act to amend an Act providing for the compensation and expenses of the chairperson and members of the Board of Education of Fayette County, approved March 30, 1993 (Ga. L. 1993, p. 4308), so as to increase the compensation of the chairperson and members of the Fayette County Board of Education; to repeal conflicting laws; and for other purposes.

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

HB 1101. By Representative Parrish of the 158th:

A BILL to be entitled an Act to authorize the governing authority of the Board of Commissioners of Jenkins County to levy an excise tax pursuant to subsection (b) of Code Section 48-13-51 of the O.C.G.A.; to provide procedures, conditions, and limitations; to provide for related matters; to repeal conflicting laws; and for other purposes.

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

HB 1102. By Representatives Dudgeon of the 25th, Gilligan of the 24th, Duncan of the 26th, Cantrell of the 22nd and Tanner of the 9th:

A BILL to be entitled an Act to amend an Act to provide a homestead exemption from all Forsyth County school district ad valorem taxes for educational purposes for the full value of the homestead of certain residents of that school district, approved April 19, 2000 (Ga. L. 2000, p. 4268), so as to revise the eligibility of residents for such homestead exemption; to provide for related matters; to provide for a referendum, effective dates, and automatic repeal under certain circumstances; to repeal conflicting laws; and for other purposes.

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

HB 1104. By Representatives Smyre of the 135th, Hugley of the 136th, Smith of the 134th, Buckner of the 137th and Pezold of the 133rd:

A BILL to be entitled an Act to revise the homestead exemption for Muscogee County formerly provided for by a local constitutional amendment duly ratified at the 1982 general election (Res. Act No. 76, House Resolution No. 271, Ga. L. 1981, p. 1926), which local constitutional amendment was continued in force and effect as statutory law pursuant to Article VII, Section II, Paragraph IV of the Constitution and provides for the valuation of certain homestead property of Muscogee County for purposes of ad valorem taxation for school and consolidated city-county government purposes; to provide for applicability; to provide for a referendum, effective dates, and automatic repeal; to repeal conflicting laws; and for other purposes.

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

HB 1105. By Representatives Carson of the 46th, Cantrell of the 22nd, Ballinger of the 23rd, Caldwell of the 20th and Turner of the 21st:

A BILL to be entitled an Act to authorize the governing authority of Cherokee County to levy an excise tax pursuant to subsection (b) of Code Section 48-13-51 of the O.C.G.A.; to provide procedures, conditions, and limitations; to provide for related matters; to repeal conflicting laws; and for other purposes.

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

HB 1108. By Representatives Shaw of the 176th, Corbett of the 174th and Spencer of the 180th:

A BILL to be entitled an Act to amend an Act to create the Waycross and Ware County Development Authority, approved March 7, 1955 (Ga. L. 1955, p. 2840), as amended, so as to provide for the composition, qualifications, appointment, filling of vacancies, terms and limits thereon, officers, and compensation; to provide for related matters; to repeal conflicting laws; and for other purposes.

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

HB 1109. By Representatives Setzler of the 35th, Ehrhart of the 36th, Reeves of the 34th, Carson of the 46th, Cooper of the 43rd and others:

A BILL to be entitled an Act to amend an Act entitled "An Act to reincorporate and provide a new charter for the City of Acworth," approved February 17, 1989 (Ga. L. 1989, p. 3512), as amended, particularly by an Act approved May 12, 2015 (Ga. L. 2015, p. 4201), so as to adopt by reference a certain map; to repeal conflicting laws; and for other purposes.

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

HB 1111. By Representatives Setzler of the 35th, Reeves of the 34th, Ehrhart of the 36th and Parsons of the 44th:

A BILL to be entitled an Act to amend an Act to provide a new charter for the City of Kennesaw, approved May 6, 2013 (Ga. L. 2013, p. 4234), as amended, so as to revise the powers and duties of the mayor; to provide for the removal of officers under certain circumstances; 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.

SB 225. By Senator Henson of the 41st:

A BILL to be entitled an Act to amend an Act creating one or more community improvement districts within DeKalb County, approved May 13, 2008 (Ga. L. 2008, p. 3817), as amended, so as to change certain provisions so that community improvement districts may be created within

municipalities in DeKalb County; to provide for a millage rate cap; to provide an effective date; to repeal conflicting laws; and for other purposes.

The following Committee substitute was read and adopted:

**A BILL TO BE ENTITLED
AN ACT**

To amend an Act creating one or more community improvement districts within DeKalb County, approved May 13, 2008 (Ga. L. 2008, p. 3817), as amended, so as to change certain provisions relating to creation of such districts; to change certain provisions relating to administration; to change certain provisions relating to taxes, fees, and assessments; to change certain provisions relating to boundaries of such districts; to change certain provisions relating to providing services and facilities; to change certain provisions relating to dissolution; to repeal conflicting laws; and for other purposes.

BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF GEORGIA:

SECTION 1.

An Act creating one or more community improvement districts within DeKalb County, approved May 13, 2008 (Ga. L. 2008, p. 3817), as amended, is amended by revising Section 2 to read as follows:

"SECTION 2.

The purpose of this Act shall be to provide for the creation of one or more community improvement districts within unincorporated DeKalb County and each municipality therein, and such district shall be created for the provision of such of the following governmental services and facilities as may be provided for in the resolution activating each district created hereby, or as may be adopted by resolutions of the majority of the electors and the majority of the equity electors as defined in this Act:

- (1) Street and road construction and maintenance, including curbs, sidewalks, street lights, and devices to control the flow of traffic on streets and roads;
- (2) Parks and recreational areas and facilities;
- (3) Storm water and sewage collection and disposal systems;
- (4) Development, storage, treatment, purification, and distribution of water;
- (5) Public transportation;
- (6) Terminal and dock facilities and parking facilities; and
- (7) Such other services and facilities as may be provided for by general law."

SECTION 2.

Said Act is further amended by revising Section 4 to read as follows:

"SECTION 4.

Pursuant to Article IX, Section VII of the Constitution of the State of Georgia, there is created one or more community improvement districts to be located in DeKalb County, Georgia, either wholly within the unincorporated area thereof or wholly within any municipality or municipalities therein, or partially within one or more municipalities and partially within the unincorporated area thereof, each of which shall be activated upon compliance with the conditions set forth in this section. Each district shall be governed by a board constituted by this Act. The conditions for such activation shall be:

(1) The adoption of a resolution consenting to the creation of each community improvement district by:

(A) The governing authority of DeKalb County if the district is located wholly within the unincorporated area of DeKalb County;

(B) The governing authority of the municipality if the district is located wholly within the incorporated area of a municipality; or

(C) The governing authorities of DeKalb County and any municipality in which the district is partially located if it is partially within the unincorporated area of DeKalb County and partially within the incorporated area of any municipality; and

(2) The written consent to the creation of the community improvement district by:

(A) A majority of the owners of real property within the district which will be subject to taxes, fees, and assessments levied by the board of the district; and

(B) The owners of real property within the given district which constitutes at least 75 percent by value of all real property within the district which will be subject to taxes, fees, and assessments levied by the board. For this purpose, value shall be determined by the most recent approved county ad valorem tax digest.

The written consent provided for in this paragraph shall be submitted to the tax commissioner of DeKalb County, who shall certify whether subparagraphs (A) and (B) of this paragraph have been satisfied with respect to such proposed district.

No district or board created under this Act shall transact any business or exercise any powers under this Act until the foregoing conditions are met. A copy of such resolutions shall be filed with the Secretary of State, who shall maintain a record of all districts activated under this Act, and with the Georgia Department of Community Affairs. No district created wholly within unincorporated DeKalb County shall be required to remain activated by the subsequent resolution of a municipality which is approved for incorporation by public referendum prior to January 1, 2016, and which is created within, or which annexes into, an existing community improvement district."

SECTION 3.

Said Act is further amended by revising subsection (a) of Section 5 to read as follows:

"(a) Each district created pursuant to this Act shall be administered by a board composed of at least seven board members to be appointed and elected as provided in this section. Two board members shall be appointed by the governing authority of DeKalb County should the district boundaries lie entirely within unincorporated

DeKalb County. Should any of the district lie within the incorporated area of DeKalb County, only one board member shall be appointed by the governing authority of DeKalb County. One board member shall be appointed by the governing authority of each municipality within which any portion of the district lies. Two board members shall be elected by the vote of electors, and three members shall be elected by the vote of equity electors. The members representing electors and equity electors shall be elected to serve in post positions 1 through 5, respectively. Each elected board member must receive a majority of the votes cast for the post for which he or she is a candidate. Votes for Posts 1 and 2 shall be cast by electors and votes for Posts 3, 4, and 5 shall be cast by equity electors. The initial terms of office of the members representing Posts 1 and 4 shall be one year. The initial terms of office of the members representing Posts 2 and 5 shall be two years, and the initial term of office of the member representing Post 3 shall be three years. Thereafter, all terms of office shall be for three years. The appointed board members shall serve at the pleasure of the appointing authority."

SECTION 4.

Said Act is further amended by revising subsection (a) of Section 6 to read as follows:

"(a) The board may levy taxes, fees, and assessments within the district only on real property used nonresidentially, specifically excluding all property exempt from ad valorem taxation under the Constitution or laws of the State of Georgia; all property used for residential, agricultural, or forestry purposes; and all tangible personal property and intangible property. Any tax, fee, or assessment so levied shall not exceed five mills of the aggregate assessed value of all such real property. The taxes, fees, and assessments levied by the board shall be equitably apportioned among the properties subject to such taxes, fees, and assessments according to the need for governmental services and facilities created by the degree of density of development of each such property. The proceeds of taxes, fees, and assessments levied by the board shall be used only for the purpose of providing governmental services and facilities which are specially required by the degree of density of development within the district and not for the purpose of providing those governmental services and facilities provided to the county or municipality as a whole. Any tax, fee, or assessment so levied shall be collected by DeKalb County in the same manner as taxes, fees, and assessments are levied by DeKalb County. Delinquent taxes shall bear the same interest and penalties as DeKalb County or municipal ad valorem taxes and may be enforced and collected in the same manner. The proceeds of taxes, fees, and assessments so levied, less a fee to cover the costs of collection of 1 percent of such proceeds, but not more than \$25,000.00 in any one calendar year, shall be transmitted by DeKalb County to the board and shall be expended by the board only for the purposes authorized by this Act."

SECTION 5.

Said Act is further amended by revising Section 7 to read as follows:

"SECTION 7.

(a) The boundaries of each district or districts shall be as designated as such by the governing authority of DeKalb County and such municipalities within which the district may be partially located if partially within the unincorporated area of DeKalb County and partially within one or more municipalities, or by the governing authority of a municipality if wholly within the incorporated area thereof, as set forth in the resolution required in Section 4 of this Act, or as may thereafter be added as provided in this Act.

(b) The boundaries of the district may be increased after the initial creation of a district pursuant to the following:

(1) Written consent of a majority of the owners of real property within the areas sought to be annexed and which will be subject to taxes, fees, and assessments levied by the board of the district;

(2) Written consent of the owners of real property within the areas sought to be annexed which constitutes at least 75 percent by value of the property which will be subject to taxes, fees, and assessments levied by the board of the district. For this purpose, value shall be determined by the most recent approved county ad valorem tax digest;

(3) The adoption of a resolution consenting to the annexation by the board of the district; and

(4) The adoption of a resolution consenting to the annexation by the governing authority of DeKalb County if any portion of the district is or is to be in the unincorporated area of DeKalb County, and/or the governing authority of such municipalities as may have area within the district immediately before or immediately after the annexation."

SECTION 6.

Said Act is further amended by revising Section 9 to read as follows:

"SECTION 9.

The services and facilities provided pursuant hereto will be provided for in a cooperation agreement executed jointly by the board and by the governing authority of DeKalb County if any of the district is in the unincorporated area of the county, and by any municipalities within which the district is partially located. The provisions of this section shall in no way limit the authority of DeKalb County or any such municipality to provide services or facilities within the district; and DeKalb County and such municipalities shall retain full and complete authority and control over any of its facilities located within its respective areas of any district. Said control shall include, but not be limited to, the modification of, access to, and degree and type of services provided through or by facilities of the county or such municipalities. Nothing contained in this section shall be construed to limit or preempt the application of any governmental laws, ordinances, resolutions, or regulations to the district or the services or facilities provided therein."

SECTION 7.

Said Act is further amended by revising Section 14 to read as follows:

"SECTION 14.

(a) Any district activated under the provisions of this Act may be dissolved. The conditions for such dissolution shall be:

(1) The adoption of a resolution approving of the dissolution of each community improvement district by the DeKalb County Board of Commissioners if wholly within the unincorporated area of DeKalb County, by the governing authority of DeKalb County and such municipalities within which the district may be located if within the unincorporated area of DeKalb County and partially within one or more municipalities, or by the governing authority of a municipality if wholly within the incorporated area thereof; and

(2) The written consent to the dissolution of the community improvement district by:

(A) Two-thirds of the owners of real property within the district which are subject to taxes, fees, and assessments levied by the board of the district; and

(B) The owners of real property constituting at least 75 percent by value of all real property within the district which are subject to taxes, fees, and assessments levied by the board. For this purpose, value shall be determined by the most recent approved county ad valorem tax digest.

The written consent provided for in this paragraph shall be submitted to the DeKalb County tax commissioner, who shall certify whether subparagraphs (A) and (B) of this paragraph have been satisfied with respect to each proposed district dissolution.

(b) In the event that successful action is taken pursuant to this section to dissolve the district, the dissolution shall become effective at such time as all debt obligations of the district have been satisfied. Following a successful dissolution action and until the dissolution becomes effective, no new projects may be undertaken, obligations or debts incurred, or property acquired.

(c) Upon a successful dissolution action, all noncash assets of the district other than public facilities or land or easements to be used for such public facilities, as described in Section 2 of this Act, shall be reduced to cash and, along with all other cash on hand, shall be applied to the repayment of any debt obligation of the district. Any cash remaining after all outstanding obligations are satisfied shall be refunded to each property owner in direct proportion to the total amount in taxes, fees, or assessments paid by the property owner relative to the total revenues paid by all properties in the district in the most recent tax year.

(d) When dissolution becomes effective, the county governing authority for public facilities located within the unincorporated area, or the municipality within which they are located, shall take title to all property, public facilities, and land or easements to be used for such public facilities previously in the ownership of the district, and all taxes, fees, and assessments of the district shall cease to be levied and collected.

(e) A district may be reactivated in the same manner as an original activation."

SECTION 8.

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.

SB 339. By Senator Parent of the 42nd:

A BILL to be entitled an Act to amend an Act providing a homestead exemption from certain City of Decatur ad valorem taxes, approved April 19, 2000 (Ga. L. 2000, p. 4285), so as modify the amount of a homestead exemption from City of Decatur ad valorem taxes for municipal purposes except for ad valorem taxes levied to pay interest on and to retire municipal bonded indebtedness in the amount of \$25,000.00 of the assessed value of the homestead for residents of that city; to provide for a referendum, effective dates, and automatic repeal; to repeal conflicting laws; and for other purposes.

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

SB 340. By Senator Parent of the 42nd:

A BILL to be entitled an Act to amend an Act providing an additional \$2,000.00 homestead exemption from City of Decatur ad valorem taxes for certain residents of said city, approved March 27, 1985 (Ga. L. 1985, p. 4140), as amended, particularly by an Act approved March 25, 1986 (Ga. L. 1986, p. 4475), and by an Act approved April 13, 2001 (Ga. L. 2001, p. 4259); to provide for applicability; to provide for a referendum, effective dates, and automatic repeal; to repeal conflicting laws; and for other purposes.

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

SB 341. By Senator Parent of the 42nd:

A BILL to be entitled an Act to repeal a former local constitutional amendment, Ga. L. 1981, p. 1914, which former local constitutional amendment was continued in effect as statutory law pursuant to Article VII, Section II, Paragraph IV of the Constitution of Georgia and which provides for a homestead exemption from certain city ad valorem taxes for residents of the City of Decatur in an amount to be fixed by the governing authority of

the city at not more than \$2,000.00 for the first year, and which may be increased periodically, but which exemption shall not exceed \$10,000.00; to provide for a referendum, effective dates, and automatic repeal; to repeal conflicting laws; and for other purposes.

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

SB 342. By Senator Parent of the 42nd:

A BILL to be entitled an Act to provide for a homestead exemption from City of Decatur ad valorem taxes for municipal purposes except for ad valorem taxes levied to pay interest on and to retire municipal bonded indebtedness in the amount of \$15,000.00 of the assessed value of the homestead for residents of that city who are 62 years of age or older and whose income does not exceed \$50,000.00; to provide for definitions; to specify the terms and conditions of the exemption and the procedures relating thereto; to provide for applicability; to provide for a referendum, effective dates, and automatic repeal; to repeal conflicting laws; and for other purposes.

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

SB 358. By Senators Jones of the 10th and Jeffares of the 17th:

A BILL to be entitled an Act to amend an Act to provide a new charter for the City of Stockbridge, approved April 4, 1991 (Ga. L. 1991, p. 4359), as amended, particularly by an Act approved May 6, 2005 (Ga. L. 2005, p. 3832), so as to provide for an oath of office and its administration; 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.

SB 359. By Senators Jones of the 10th and Jeffares of the 17th:

A BILL to be entitled an Act to amend an Act to provide a new charter for the City of Stockbridge, approved April 4, 1991 (Ga. L. 1991, p. 4359), as amended, so as to terminate the employment of appointed officers upon such persons qualifying to seek public office; to provide for the termination of employees upon qualifying to seek public office in certain circumstances; 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.

SB 360. By Senators Jones of the 10th and Jeffares of the 17th:

A BILL to be entitled an Act to amend an Act to provide a new charter for the City of Stockbridge, approved April 4, 1991 (Ga. L. 1991, p. 4359), as amended, so as to prohibit the mayor and councilmembers from holding any other elective or appointive office in the city or otherwise be employed by said government or any agency thereof during the term for which that official was elected; to prohibit any former mayor or former councilmember from holding any appointive office in the city or being employed by the city until one year after the expiration of the term for which that official was elected; 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.

SB 361. By Senators Jones of the 10th and Jeffares of the 17th:

A BILL to be entitled an Act to amend an Act to provide a new charter for the City of Stockbridge, approved April 4, 1991 (Ga. L. 1991, p. 4359), as amended, so as to provide for a city manager; to provide for manner of selection, appointment, qualifications, compensation, and removal; to provide for an acting city manager; to provide for powers and duties; to provide for related matters; to repeal conflicting laws; and for other purposes.

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

SB 362. By Senators Jones of the 10th and Jeffares of the 17th:

A BILL to be entitled an Act to amend an Act to provide a new charter for the City of Stockbridge, approved April 4, 1991 (Ga. L. 1991, p. 4359), as amended, so as to change provisions relating to the filling of vacancies in the offices of members of the governing authority; to provide for an exception; 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 an Act to provide a new charter for the City of Stockbridge, approved April 4, 1991 (Ga. L. 1991, p. 4359), as amended, so as to change provisions relating to the filling of vacancies in the offices of members of the governing authority; to provide for an exception; to provide for the manner of election of members of the governing authority; to provide for related matters; to repeal conflicting laws; and for other purposes.

BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF GEORGIA:

SECTION 1.

An Act to provide a new charter for the City of Stockbridge, approved April 4, 1991 (Ga. L. 1991, p. 4359), as amended, particularly by an Act approved April 19, 2000 (Ga. L. 2000, p. 3766), is amended by revising subsection (b) of Section 2.12 as follows:

"(b) Unless otherwise provided for by O.C.G.A. Section 36-30-13, a vacancy in the office of the mayor or any councilmember shall be filled for the remainder of the unexpired term, if any, as follows:

(1) If the vacancy occurs when six months or more remain in the term of office of the seat vacated, then such vacancy shall be filled for the unexpired term of office at a special election held in accordance with Georgia law; or

(2) If the vacancy occurs when fewer than six months remain in the term of office of the seat vacated, then the remaining members of the city governing authority shall, by majority vote of a quorum present and voting, select a qualified person to serve the remainder of the unexpired term.

The candidate receiving a majority of the votes cast in a special election under this subsection shall be elected."

SECTION 2.

Said Act is further amended by revising Section 2.14 as follows:

"SECTION 2.14.

Election of councilmembers by plurality; election of mayor by majority.

(a) Except as provided in subsection (b) of Section 2.12 of this charter, the candidate receiving a plurality of the votes cast for any seat on the city council shall be elected.

(b) Notwithstanding the provisions of subsection (a) of this section, the candidate receiving a majority of the votes cast for the office of mayor shall be elected. In the event that no candidate in the election receives a majority of the votes for the office of mayor, then a runoff election between the candidates receiving the two highest numbers of votes shall be conducted in accordance with law."

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.

SB 380. By Senator Gooch of the 51st:

A BILL to be entitled an Act to amend an Act to reconstitute the Board of Commissioners of White County, approved May 13, 2008 (Ga. L. 2008, p. 4205), as amended, so as to provide for compensation increases for members of the board; to provide for an effective date; to repeal conflicting laws; and for other purposes.

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

SB 390. By Senators Jones of the 10th and Jeffares of the 17th:

A BILL to be entitled an Act to amend an Act to provide a new charter for the City of Stockbridge, approved April 4, 1991 (Ga. L. 1991, p. 4359), as amended, so as to provide for the override of a mayoral veto under certain circumstances; 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.

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

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

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

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

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

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

By unanimous consent, the following Bill of the Senate was postponed until the next legislative day:

SB 343. By Senator Parent of the 42nd:

A BILL to be entitled an Act to provide a homestead exemption from City of Decatur independent school district ad valorem taxes for educational purposes for five years in the full amount of the assessed value of the homestead for residents of that school district who are 65 years of age or older; to provide for definitions; to specify the terms and conditions of the exemption and the procedures relating thereto; to provide for applicability; to provide for a referendum, effective dates, and automatic repeal; to repeal conflicting laws; and for other purposes.

Representative Douglas of the 78th moved that the following Bill of the Senate be immediately transmitted to the Senate:

SB 362. By Senators Jones of the 10th and Jeffares of the 17th:

A BILL to be entitled an Act to amend an Act to provide a new charter for the City of Stockbridge, approved April 4, 1991 (Ga. L. 1991, p. 4359), as amended, so as to change provisions relating to the filling of vacancies in the

offices of members of the governing authority; to provide for an exception; to provide for related matters; to repeal conflicting laws; and for other purposes.

The motion prevailed.

The following member was recognized during the period of Morning Orders and addressed the House:

Representative Rhodes of the 120th.

Pursuant to HR 1395, the House honored the life and memory of Sheriff Ladson O'Connor.

Pursuant to HR 1338, the House recognized Mariyah Carter.

Pursuant to HR 1581, the House commended and congratulated Jim Grubiak.

The following Resolutions of the House were read and adopted:

HR 1607. By Representative Ralston of the 7th:

A RESOLUTION recognizing March 8, 2016, as Apple Day at the Capitol; and for other purposes.

HR 1613. By Representatives Carson of the 46th, Teasley of the 37th, Cantrell of the 22nd, Duncan of the 26th and Efstoration of the 104th:

A RESOLUTION honoring and commending Trail Life USA, Trail Life in Georgia, and American Heritage Girls; and for other purposes.

HR 1614. By Representatives Carter of the 92nd, Bennett of the 94th, Dawkins-Haigler of the 91st, Kendrick of the 93rd, Mitchell of the 88th and others:

A RESOLUTION recognizing Miller Grove High School's Men's Basketball Team on their repeated championships; and for other purposes.

HR 1615. By Representative Kirby of the 114th:

A RESOLUTION commending Allison Browning, Loganville Christian Academy's 2016 STAR Student; and for other purposes.

HR 1616. By Representative Kaiser of the 59th:

A RESOLUTION recognizing Avi Botwinick upon being named the valedictorian of the 2016 graduating class of The Weber School; and for other purposes.

HR 1617. By Representatives Kaiser of the 59th, Oliver of the 82nd and Gardner of the 57th:

A RESOLUTION recognizing the Honorable Elaine Carlisle upon the occasion of her retirement; and for other purposes.

HR 1618. By Representatives Cooper of the 43rd, Price of the 48th, Beskin of the 54th, Clark of the 101st, Lott of the 122nd and others:

A RESOLUTION recognizing March 16, 2016, as Resurgens Orthopaedics Advocacy Day; and for other purposes.

HR 1619. By Representatives Epps of the 144th, Beverly of the 143rd, Randall of the 142nd, Dickey of the 140th and Peake of the 141st:

A RESOLUTION commending Mrs. Michelle Fleming, Stratford Academy's 2016 STAR Teacher; and for other purposes.

HR 1620. By Representatives Epps of the 144th, Beverly of the 143rd, Randall of the 142nd, Dickey of the 140th and Peake of the 141st:

A RESOLUTION commending Dylan Quintal, Stratford Academy's 2016 STAR Student; and for other purposes.

HR 1621. By Representative LaRiccia of the 169th:

A RESOLUTION honoring and commending Karrie Wooten LaRiccia on the occasion of her wedding anniversary; and for other purposes.

HR 1622. By Representatives Smith of the 70th, Gardner of the 57th, Coomer of the 14th, Turner of the 21st, Gilligan of the 24th and others:

A RESOLUTION recognizing the 15th anniversary of the Metropolitan North Georgia Water Planning District; and for other purposes.

HR 1623. By Representatives Oliver of the 82nd, Parrish of the 158th, Kaiser of the 59th, Gardner of the 57th, Abrams of the 89th and others:

A RESOLUTION recognizing Emory University President James W. Wagner; and for other purposes.

HR 1624. By Representatives Carter of the 92nd, Bennett of the 94th, Dawkins-Haigler of the 91st, Kendrick of the 93rd, Mitchell of the 88th and others:

A RESOLUTION recognizing and commending Coach Sharman White; and for other purposes.

HR 1625. By Representatives Corbett of the 174th, LaRiccia of the 169th, Carson of the 46th, Bentley of the 139th, Mosby of the 83rd and others:

A RESOLUTION recognizing and commending Doris Durr Littlejohn upon the grand occasion of her retirement; and for other purposes.

HR 1626. By Representative Kirby of the 114th:

A RESOLUTION commending Holly Beavers, Loganville High School's 2016 STAR Student; and for other purposes.

HR 1627. By Representative Epps of the 144th:

A RESOLUTION commending Cassidy Taylor Fountain, Bleckley County High School's 2016 STAR Student; and for other purposes.

HR 1628. By Representative Epps of the 144th:

A RESOLUTION commending Mr. Ray Martin, Bleckley County High School's 2016 STAR Teacher; and for other purposes.

HR 1629. By Representative Epps of the 144th:

A RESOLUTION commending Mason Christopher Couch, Wilkinson County High School's 2016 STAR Student; and for other purposes.

HR 1630. By Representative Epps of the 144th:

A RESOLUTION commending Mrs. Kristy Driggers, Wilkinson County High School's 2016 STAR Teacher; and for other purposes.

HR 1631. By Representative Marin of the 96th:

A RESOLUTION recognizing and honoring March 23, 2016, as Pakistani American Day at the state capitol; and for other purposes.

HR 1632. By Representatives Smith of the 70th, Ramsey of the 72nd, Stover of the 71st and Trammell of the 132nd:

A RESOLUTION recognizing and congratulating Mr. Bob Coggin; and for other purposes.

HR 1633. By Representatives Epps of the 144th and Holmes of the 129th:

A RESOLUTION commending Mrs. Angela Jones, Jones County High School's 2016 STAR Teacher; and for other purposes.

HR 1634. By Representatives Epps of the 144th and Holmes of the 129th:

A RESOLUTION commending Phillip Warren Walker III, Jones County High School's 2016 STAR Student; and for other purposes.

HR 1635. By Representatives Douglas of the 78th, Scott of the 76th, Stovall of the 74th, Mabra of the 63rd and Jordan of the 77th:

A RESOLUTION commending Michelle Glover, Kemp Primary School's 2015-2016 Teacher of the Year; and for other purposes.

HR 1636. By Representatives Bennett of the 80th and Holcomb of the 81st:

A RESOLUTION commending the Brookhaven Police Department for its role in helping make Brookhaven the safest city in DeKalb County and the thirtieth safest city in Georgia for 2016, according to the 2016 Safewise Report; and for other purposes.

HR 1637. By Representative Weldon of the 3rd:

A RESOLUTION honoring the life and memory of Ms. Martha Ann Cassell Lee; and for other purposes.

HR 1638. By Representatives Smith of the 70th, Ramsey of the 72nd, Stover of the 71st and Trammell of the 132nd:

A RESOLUTION recognizing Bonnell Aluminum on the grand occasion of its 60th anniversary; and for other purposes.

HR 1639. By Representatives Douglas of the 78th, Scott of the 76th, Stovall of the 74th, Mabra of the 63rd and Jordan of the 77th:

A RESOLUTION commending Arethea Robinson, Lillie E. Suder Elementary School's 2015-2016 Teacher of the Year; and for other purposes.

HR 1640. By Representatives Douglas of the 78th, Scott of the 76th, Stovall of the 74th, Mabra of the 63rd and Jordan of the 77th:

A RESOLUTION commending Ryan Adams, Kemp Primary School's 2015-2016 Paraprofessional of the Year; and for other purposes.

HR 1641. By Representative Belton of the 112th:

A RESOLUTION recognizing and commending Morgan County High School's Advanced Placement Scholars with Distinction; and for other purposes.

HR 1642. By Representative Belton of the 112th:

A RESOLUTION recognizing and commending Morgan County High School's Class of 2015 International Baccalaureate Diploma recipients; and for other purposes.

HR 1643. By Representatives Epps of the 144th, Pruett of the 149th and Hatchett of the 150th:

A RESOLUTION commending Ms. Jessica Chase, West Laurens High School's 2016 STAR Teacher; and for other purposes.

HR 1644. By Representatives Epps of the 144th, Harden of the 148th, Clark of the 147th, Blackmon of the 146th and Dickey of the 140th:

A RESOLUTION commending James Nicolas Luppino, Warner Robins High School's 2016 STAR Student; and for other purposes.

HR 1645. By Representatives Epps of the 144th, Pruett of the 149th and Hatchett of the 150th:

A RESOLUTION commending Scotty Lee Hall, West Laurens High School's 2016 STAR Student; and for other purposes.

HR 1646. By Representatives Stephens of the 164th, Petrea of the 166th, Hitchens of the 161st, Stephens of the 165th and Gordon of the 163rd:

A RESOLUTION recognizing and honoring the members of the St. Patrick's Day Parade Committee, Chairman Jerry Hogan, Jr. and the Grand Marshal of the 2016 St. Patrick's Day Parade, Michael A. Foran on the upcoming occasion of the 2016 St. Patrick's Day Parade in Savannah, Georgia; and for other purposes.

HR 1647. By Representatives Epps of the 144th, Harden of the 148th, Clark of the 147th, Blackmon of the 146th and Dickey of the 140th:

A RESOLUTION commending Mr. Louis Leskosky, Warner Robins High School's 2016 STAR Teacher; and for other purposes.

HR 1648. By Representatives Welch of the 110th, Strickland of the 111th, Knight of the 130th, Rutledge of the 109th and Caldwell of the 131st:

A RESOLUTION honoring the life and memory of Albert B. Wallace; and for other purposes.

HR 1649. By Representatives Maxwell of the 17th, Rakestraw of the 19th, Gravley of the 67th and Alexander of the 66th:

A RESOLUTION honoring the life and memory of Mr. Joe S. Parker, Sr.; and for other purposes.

HR 1650. By Representatives Douglas of the 78th, Scott of the 76th, Stovall of the 74th, Mabra of the 63rd and Jordan of the 77th:

A RESOLUTION commending Kim Krietemeyer, Mount Zion Elementary School's 2015-2016 Teacher of the Year; and for other purposes.

HR 1651. By Representative Kelley of the 16th:

A RESOLUTION honoring Ms. Jewell Arrington Tuck on the grand occasion of her 90th birthday; and for other purposes.

HR 1652. By Representatives Maxwell of the 17th, Rakestraw of the 19th, Gravley of the 67th and Alexander of the 66th:

A RESOLUTION recognizing and commending the Boys & Girls Club of Paulding County; and for other purposes.

HR 1653. By Representatives Maxwell of the 17th, Rakestraw of the 19th, Gravley of the 67th and Alexander of the 66th:

A RESOLUTION recognizing and commending Mr. Kevie Dixon; and for other purposes.

Representative Willard of the 51st moved that the following Bill of the Senate be withdrawn from the Committee on Intragovernmental Coordination - Local and recommitted to the Committee on Governmental Affairs:

SB 378. By Senator Millar of the 40th:

A BILL to be entitled an Act to amend an Act revising, superseding, and consolidating the laws relative to the governing authority of DeKalb County and creating a chairman and board of commissioners of said county, approved March 8, 1956 (Ga. L. 1956, p. 3237), as amended, particularly by an Act approved April 9, 1981 (Ga. L. 1981, p. 4304), so as to change the composition of the governing authority; to abolish the office of chief executive officer; to provide for a commission chairperson to be elected at large; to shorten certain terms of office; to provide for elections and new terms of office; to provide for term limits; to provide for a county manager; to provide for related matters; to provide for a referendum and effective dates; to repeal conflicting laws; and for other purposes.

The motion prevailed.

Representative Burns of the 159th moved that the House do now adjourn until 10:00 o'clock, A.M., Thursday, March 10, 2016, and the motion prevailed.

Pursuant to the adjournment Resolution previously adopted by the House and Senate, the Speaker announced the House adjourned until 10:00 o'clock, A.M., Thursday, March 10, 2016.