

**Representative Hall, Atlanta, Georgia****Monday, January 25, 2016****Ninth Legislative Day**

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

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

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

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

Representatives Drenner of the 85th, Dukes of the 154th, Golick of the 40th, Henson of the 86th, Jones of the 47th, Jordan of the 77th, Kendrick of the 93rd, Pruett of the 149th, Randall of the 142nd, and Smyre of the 135th.

They wished to be recorded as present.

Prayer was offered by Reverend Brian Salter, Association Pastor of Mission & Vision, Lookout Mountain Presbyterian Church, Lookout Mountain, 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 Resolution of the House were introduced, read the first time and referred to the Committees:

HB 712. By Representatives Bruce of the 61st, Smyre of the 135th, Marin of the 96th, Dukes of the 154th, Dawkins-Haigler of the 91st and others:

A BILL to be entitled an Act to amend Chapter 5 of Title 50 of the O.C.G.A., relating to the Department of Administrative Services, so as to define certain terms; to create the Division of Supplier Diversity; to provide for appointment of a director; to provide for powers and duties of the director; to create the position of minority and women owned business enterprises state-wide advocate; to provide for appointment; to provide for duties; to provide for provisions for state contracts; to provide for a state-wide disparity study;

to provide for contents; to provide for the structure of procurement contracts; to provide for rules and regulations; to provide for the implementation of rules and regulations; to provide for exceptions; to provide for related matters; to repeal conflicting laws; and for other purposes.

Referred to the Committee on Governmental Affairs.

HB 809. By Representatives Frye of the 118th, Alexander of the 66th, Smith of the 41st, Trammell of the 132nd, Cantrell of the 22nd and others:

A BILL to be entitled an Act to amend Part 1 of Article 2 of Chapter 5 of Title 48 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to property tax exemptions, so as to provide an exemption from ad valorem taxation for certain housing furnished by a nonprofit organization to physically disabled persons; to provide for procedures, conditions, and limitations; to provide for a referendum; to provide for a contingent effective date; to provide for automatic repeal under certain circumstances; to provide for applicability; to repeal conflicting laws; and for other purposes.

Referred to the Committee on Ways & Means.

HB 810. By Representatives Frye of the 118th, Quick of the 117th, Mabra of the 63rd, Gravley of the 67th, Williams of the 119th and others:

A BILL to be entitled an Act to amend Chapter 33 of Title 31 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to health records, so as to revise provisions regarding imposition of costs for providing copies of health records; to provide for related matters; to repeal conflicting laws; and for other purposes.

Referred to the Committee on Health & Human Services.

HB 811. By Representatives Williamson of the 115th, Powell of the 171st, Brockway of the 102nd, Morris of the 156th, England of the 116th and others:

A BILL to be entitled an Act to extensively amend Title 7 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to banking and finance, so as to update, modernize, and streamline numerous Code sections to provide for efficient regulation of banks, trust companies, credit unions, merchant acquirer limited purpose banks, and the mortgage lending industry; to update and eliminate certain provisions to comply with federal law; to update certain provisions to comply with federal court decisions; to revise powers and duties of the Department of Banking and Finance; to delete all appearances of and

references to the term "building and loan associations"; to provide for related matters; to repeal conflicting laws; and for other purposes.

Referred to the Committee on Banks & Banking.

HB 812. By Representatives Prince of the 127th, Randall of the 142nd, Taylor of the 79th, Abrams of the 89th, Hugley of the 136th and others:

A BILL to be entitled an Act to amend Chapter 3 of Title 7, Chapter 17 of Title 16, and Part 5 of Article 3 of Chapter 12 of Title 44 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to industrial loans, payday lending, and pawnbrokers, respectively, so as to provide for the enforcement of the federal John Warner National Defense Authorization Act for Fiscal Year 2007; to provide for a short title; to provide for related matters; to repeal conflicting laws; and for other purposes.

Referred to the Committee on Regulated Industries.

HB 813. By Representatives Jasperse of the 11th, Broadrick of the 4th, Cooper of the 43rd and Wilkinson of the 52nd:

A BILL to be entitled an Act to amend Chapter 4 of Title 26 and Chapter 17 of Title 31 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to pharmacists and pharmacies and control of venereal disease, respectively, so as to provide for expedited partner therapy for patients with chlamydia, gonorrhea, or trichomoniasis; to provide for definitions; to revise provisions relating to dispensing prescription drugs; to provide for immunity; to provide for rules and regulations; to provide for related matters; to repeal conflicting laws; and for other purposes.

Referred to the Committee on Health & Human Services.

HB 814. By Representatives Glanton of the 75th, Ealum of the 153rd, Carter of the 175th, Atwood of the 179th, Abrams of the 89th and others:

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 unique identifiers for students of military personnel; to provide a short title; to provide for related matters; to repeal conflicting laws; and for other purposes.

Referred to the Committee on Education.

- HB 815. By Representatives Rhodes of the 120th, McCall of the 33rd, Broadrick of the 4th, Williams of the 119th, Knight of the 130th and others:

A BILL to be entitled an Act to amend Article 3 of Chapter 2 of Title 26 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to meat inspection, so as to provide for the inspection and regulation of certain avian meat products and facilities related to the processing of such products for human consumption; to provide for uniformity; to remove an obsolete provision relating to enforcement responsibility; to provide for related matters; to repeal conflicting laws; and for other purposes.

Referred to the Committee on Agriculture & Consumer Affairs.

- HB 816. By Representatives Mitchell of the 88th, Pruettt of the 149th, Jackson of the 128th, LaRiccia of the 169th, Scott of the 76th and others:

A BILL to be entitled an Act to amend Chapter 2 of Title 20 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to elementary and secondary education, so as to enact the "Georgia Student Religious Liberties Act of 2016"; to provide for voluntary student expression of religious viewpoints in public schools; to provide that local school systems shall allow religious expression in class assignments; to provide that local school systems shall provide students with the freedom to organize religious groups and activities; to provide that local school systems shall provide a limited public forum for student speakers at nongraduation and graduation events; to provide a model policy for voluntary religious expression in public schools; to provide for related matters; to repeal conflicting laws; and for other purposes.

Referred to the Committee on Judiciary.

- HB 817. By Representatives Sharper of the 177th, Shaw of the 176th, Corbett of the 174th, Carter of the 175th, Waites of the 60th and others:

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 regarding elementary and secondary education, so as to require that certain youth athletes receive instruction in baseball dugout safety; to encourage that baseball dugouts housing youth athletes during certain baseball games have protective covering; to provide for related matters; to repeal conflicting laws; and for other purposes.

Referred to the Committee on Education.

- HB 818. By Representatives Shaw of the 176th, Nimmer of the 178th, Fleming of the 121st, England of the 116th, Bryant of the 162nd and others:

A BILL to be entitled an Act to amend Chapter 9 of Title 34 of the O.C.G.A., relating to workers' compensation, so as to change certain provisions relating to workers' compensation insurance, awards, benefits, and administration; to provide that administrative law judges are subject to the Georgia Code of Judicial Conduct; to change provisions related to an employer's duties to provide the State Board of Workers' Compensation with certain information; to provide for related matters; to repeal conflicting laws; and for other purposes.

Referred to the Committee on Industry and Labor.

- HB 819. By Representatives Kendrick of the 93rd, Dickerson of the 113th, Carter of the 175th, Kaiser of the 59th, Teasley of the 37th and others:

A BILL to be entitled an Act to amend Part 3 of Article 16 of Chapter 2 of Title 20 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to student health in elementary and secondary education, so as to provide for the development of a list of training materials in mental health, behavioral disabilities, and learning disabilities; to provide that no cause of action is created; to provide that no duty of care is created; to provide for related matters; to provide for applicability; to repeal conflicting laws; and for other purposes.

Referred to the Committee on Education.

- HB 820. By Representatives Kendrick of the 93rd, Dickerson of the 113th, Kaiser of the 59th, Glanton of the 75th, Stovall of the 74th and others:

A BILL to be entitled an Act to amend Subpart 3 of Part 2 of Article 16 of Chapter 2 of Title 20 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to chronic disciplinary problem students, so as to require documented behavior correction action plans for certain students with disciplinary problems; to provide for related matters; to repeal conflicting laws; and for other purposes.

Referred to the Committee on Education.

- HB 821. By Representatives Williams of the 168th, Frazier of the 126th, Smith of the 134th, Yates of the 73rd, Abrams of the 89th and others:

A BILL to be entitled an Act to amend Chapter 1 of Title 43 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to general provisions applicable to

professions and businesses, so as to require professional licensing boards and other boards to adopt rules and regulations implementing a process by which military spouses and transitioning service members may qualify for temporary licenses, licenses by endorsement, expedited licenses, or a combination thereof for each profession, business, or trade for which a license is issued; to provide a short title; to provide for related matters; to repeal conflicting laws; and for other purposes.

Referred to the Committee on Small Business Development.

HB 822. By Representatives Coomer of the 14th, Powell of the 171st, Smyre of the 135th, Epps of the 144th, Clark of the 101st and others:

A BILL to be entitled an Act to amend Article 1 of Chapter 8 of Title 48 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to sales and use tax, so as to provide for a change in a definition; to provide for related matters; to provide for an effective date; to repeal conflicting laws; and for other purposes.

Referred to the Committee on Ways & Means.

HB 823. By Representatives Abrams of the 89th, Trammell of the 132nd, Gardner of the 57th, Hugley of the 136th, Fludd of the 64th and others:

A BILL to be entitled an Act to amend Article 7 of Chapter 4 of Title 49 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to medical assistance generally, so as to provide for the authorization of appropriations for the purposes of obtaining federal financial participation for medical assistance payments to providers of Medicaid expansion under the federal Patient Protection and Affordable Care Act and Health Care and Education Reconciliation Act of 2010; to provide for a maximum percent of the federal poverty level; to provide for a short title; to provide for related matters; to repeal conflicting laws; and for other purposes.

Referred to the Committee on Appropriations.

HB 824. By Representatives Alexander of the 66th, Bruce of the 61st, Carter of the 92nd, Wilkerson of the 38th, Hugley of the 136th and others:

A BILL to be entitled an Act to amend Title 34 of the O.C.G.A., relating to labor and industrial relations, so as to require all employers to implement paid sick leave for employees; to specify purposes for which paid sick leave may be taken and the rate at which paid sick leave accrues; to require advance notice of intention to use sick leave under certain circumstances; to

provide for verification of the need for sick time in certain circumstances; to provide for record keeping; to prohibit discrimination against an employee for inquiring about or using paid sick leave; to make a violation of an unlawful practice subject to the jurisdiction of the Department of Labor; to authorize a civil action for any violation; to provide a short title; to provide for related matters; to repeal conflicting laws; and for other purposes.

Referred to the Committee on Industry and Labor.

HB 825. By Representatives Smith of the 125th, Holcomb of the 81st, Carter of the 175th, Shaw of the 176th, Abrams of the 89th and others:

A BILL to be entitled an Act to amend Article 1 of Chapter 7 of Title 19 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to parent and child relationship general provisions, so as to provide that in the event of a report of child abuse by a military parent or guardian, the child welfare agency shall notify the Department of Defense Family Advocacy Program; to add filing a report of child abuse to military law enforcement to the reporting of child abuse to an appropriate police authority; to extend immunity provisions to reporting child abuse to military law enforcement; to provide for a short title; to provide for related matters; to repeal conflicting laws; and for other purposes.

Referred to the Committee on Juvenile Justice.

HB 826. By Representatives Price of the 48th, Cooper of the 43rd, Rynders of the 152nd, Hawkins of the 27th, Belton of the 112th and others:

A BILL to be entitled an Act to amend Article 2 of Chapter 34 of Title 43 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to medical practice relative to physicians, assistants, and others, so as to provide for certain requirements for advertisement or publication of representations of board certification by physicians; to provide for related matters; to repeal conflicting laws; and for other purposes.

Referred to the Committee on Health & Human Services.

HB 827. By Representatives Holcomb of the 81st, Bennett of the 80th, Pak of the 108th, Quick of the 117th, Abrams of the 89th and others:

A BILL to be entitled an Act to amend Chapter 1 of Title 35 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to general provisions for law enforcement officers and agencies, so as to provide requirements for

submitting certain evidence collected from a forensic medical examination to the Georgia Bureau of Investigation; to provide for a definition; to provide for procedure; to provide for reporting; to provide for a short title; to provide for related matters; to repeal conflicting laws; and for other purposes.

Referred to the Committee on Judiciary Non-Civil.

HR 1135. By Representatives Belton of the 112th, Rynders of the 152nd, Blackmon of the 146th, Williams of the 168th, Clark of the 147th and others:

A RESOLUTION creating the House Study Committee on Base Realignment and Closure; and for other purposes.

Referred to the Committee on Special Rules.

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

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| HB 718  | HB 795  |
| HB 796  | HB 797  |
| HB 798  | HB 799  |
| HB 800  | HB 801  |
| HB 802  | HB 803  |
| HB 804  | HB 805  |
| HB 806  | HB 807  |
| HB 808  | HR 1093 |
| HR 1112 | HR 1113 |

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

Mr. Speaker:

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

HR 1114. By Representative Burns of the 159th:

A RESOLUTION relative to meetings and adjournments of the General Assembly; and for other purposes.

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

Representatives Williams of the 168th, Stovall of the 74th, Burns of the 159th et al., Dawkins-Haigler of the 91st et al., and Cheokas of the 138th.

Pursuant to HR 1007, the House recognized January 25, 2016, as National Guard Day at the capitol.

The following Resolutions of the House were read and adopted:

HR 1137. By Representatives Belton of the 112th, Rutledge of the 109th, Dickerson of the 113th, Welch of the 110th, Corbett of the 174th and others:

A RESOLUTION recognizing and commending Georgia State Trooper First Class Nathan Bradley, Georgia State Patrol Corporal Richard Thacker, and Morgan County Sheriff Robert Markley; and for other purposes.

HR 1138. By Representatives Buckner of the 137th, Smith of the 134th, Pezold of the 133rd and Trammell of the 132nd:

A RESOLUTION commending Harris and Meriwether Counties and recognizing January 27, 2016, as Harris and Meriwether County Day at the state capitol; and for other purposes.

HR 1139. By Representatives Kelley of the 16th and Cooke of the 18th:

A RESOLUTION recognizing and commending Ms. Betty Rae Streid on the occasion of her retirement as president of the Haralson County Republican Women organization; and for other purposes.

HR 1140. By Representatives Cooper of the 43rd, Taylor of the 173rd, Hawkins of the 27th, Price of the 48th, Jasperse of the 11th and others:

A RESOLUTION recognizing and commending Georgia State University's Legislative Health Policy Certificate Program and Advanced Health Policy Institute and its instructors; and for other purposes.

HR 1141. By Representatives Spencer of the 180th, Corbett of the 174th, Jones of the 167th, Atwood of the 179th, Wilkinson of the 52nd and others:

A RESOLUTION honoring the victims of the 1971 Woodbine Thiokol Chemical Corporation explosion; and for other purposes.

HR 1142. By Representatives Carson of the 46th, Knight of the 130th, Mosby of the 83rd and Wilkerson of the 38th:

A RESOLUTION honoring the life and memory of Mr. Royce B. Duncan; and for other purposes.

HR 1143. By Representatives Rogers of the 29th, Dunahoo of the 30th, Hawkins of the 27th and Barr of the 103rd:

A RESOLUTION honoring the life and memory of Mrs. Frances Davis DeLong; and for other purposes.

HR 1144. By Representatives Cooper of the 43rd, Rynders of the 152nd, Weldon of the 3rd, Price of the 48th, Wilkinson of the 52nd and others:

A RESOLUTION recognizing February, 2016, as Self-Care Month; and for other purposes.

HR 1145. By Representatives Rogers of the 29th, Dunahoo of the 30th, Hawkins of the 27th and Barr of the 103rd:

A RESOLUTION commending Heather McConnell, Gainesville's 2017 Teacher of the Year; and for other purposes.

HR 1146. By Representatives Rogers of the 29th, Dunahoo of the 30th, Hawkins of the 27th and Barr of the 103rd:

A RESOLUTION honoring the life and memory of Mr. Harry Purvis Ward; and for other purposes.

HR 1147. By Representatives Rogers of the 29th, Dunahoo of the 30th, Hawkins of the 27th and Barr of the 103rd:

A RESOLUTION honoring the life and memory of Mr. J.W. West; and for other purposes.

HR 1148. By Representatives Rynders of the 152nd, Parrish of the 158th, Dempsey of the 13th, Cooper of the 43rd and Buckner of the 137th:

A RESOLUTION commending the Georgia Rural Health Association and recognizing March 1, 2016, as Rural Health Day at the state capitol; and for other purposes.

HR 1149. By Representatives Rogers of the 29th, Dunahoo of the 30th, Hawkins of the 27th and Barr of the 103rd:

A RESOLUTION honoring the life and memory of Mr. Doyle Mathis Johnson, Jr.; and for other purposes.

HR 1150. By Representatives Rogers of the 29th, Dunahoo of the 30th, Hawkins of the 27th and Barr of the 103rd:

A RESOLUTION honoring the life and memory of Mr. W. Johnny Martin; and for other purposes.

HR 1151. By Representatives Jasperse of the 11th, England of the 116th, McCall of the 33rd, Harden of the 148th, Dunahoo of the 30th and others:

A RESOLUTION recognizing Dr. Mike Lacy on the occasion of his retirement from the University of Georgia Department of Poultry Science; and for other purposes.

HR 1152. By Representative Marin of the 96th:

A RESOLUTION commending Mr. Allen Chang; and for other purposes.

HR 1153. By Representative Kelley of the 16th:

A RESOLUTION recognizing and commending Ms. Beverly Battle; and for other purposes.

HR 1154. By Representatives Smith of the 134th, Jasperse of the 11th, Pirkle of the 155th, England of the 116th, McCall of the 33rd and others:

A RESOLUTION recognizing February 3, 2016, as 4-H Day at the State Capitol; and for other purposes.

HR 1155. By Representatives Raffensperger of the 50th, Dudgeon of the 25th, Rice of the 95th and Willard of the 51st:

A RESOLUTION commending Johns Creek on being named number one on the Federal Bureau of Investigation's 40 safest cities in Georgia list for 2015; and for other purposes.

HR 1156. By Representatives Rogers of the 29th, Dunahoo of the 30th, Hawkins of the 27th and Barr of the 103rd:

A RESOLUTION honoring the life and memory of Mr. Grady Elliott Short; and for other purposes.

HR 1157. By Representatives Rogers of the 29th, Dunahoo of the 30th, Hawkins of the 27th and Barr of the 103rd:

A RESOLUTION honoring the life and memory of Mr. Wendell Whiteside; and for other purposes.

HR 1158. By Representative Marin of the 96th:

A RESOLUTION recognizing and commending Hi-Hope Service Center; and for other purposes.

Representative Houston of the 170th moved that the House do now adjourn until 10:00 o'clock, tomorrow morning, and the motion prevailed.

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