

HOUSE JOURNAL

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Monday, March 16, 2020

First Legislative Day

Pursuant to the call of his Excellency, Governor Brian Kemp, the House met in special session at 8:00 o'clock, A.M., this day and was called to order by the Honorable David Ralston, Speaker of the House of Representatives.

The following proclamation was read:

BY THE GOVERNOR OF THE STATE OF GEORGIA

A PROCLAMATION

CONVENING THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF GEORGIA IN SPECIAL SESSION

WHEREAS: Article V, Section II, Paragraph VII of the Constitution of the State of Georgia grants to the Governor the power to convene a special session of the General Assembly by proclamation, stating and thereby limiting the purposes of the special session; and

WHEREAS: Code Section 38-3-51 requires that as a condition precedent to declaring that a state of emergency exists as a result of a public health emergency, the Governor must issue a call for a special session of the General Assembly; and

WHEREAS: The Governor has determined that a public health emergency exists in the State of Georgia due to the spread of the novel Coronavirus/COVID-19 and warrants an emergency declaration requiring the General Assembly to concur with or terminate such emergency declaration in a special session; and

THEREFORE: By virtue of the power and authority conferred upon me by the Constitution of Georgia, I, Brian P. Kemp, Governor of the State of Georgia, do hereby convene the General Assembly of this State in Special Session on Monday, March 16, 2020, at 8:00 A.M. for the express purpose of concurring with or terminating the Public Health State of Emergency declared by Executive Order 03.14.20.01.

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Given under my hand and the Great Seal of the State of Georgia at the City of Atlanta, on this 14th day of March, 2020.

/s/ Brian P. Kemp
GOVERNOR

ATTEST

/s/ Timothy K. Fleming
CHIEF OF STAFF

(SEAL)

Prayer was offered by Representative Calvin Smyre, District 135, Columbus, Georgia.

The members pledged allegiance to the flag.

The following Resolutions of the House were read and adopted:

HR 1EX. By Representative Burns of the 159th

A RESOLUTION

To notify the Senate that the House of Representatives has convened; and for other purposes.

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES that the Clerk of the House is hereby instructed to notify the Senate that the House of Representatives has convened in special session and is now ready for the transaction of business.

HR 2EX. By Representative Burns of the 159th

A RESOLUTION

Relative to meetings and adjournments of the General Assembly; and for other purposes.

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF GEORGIA that, except as otherwise provided by this resolution or by subsequent resolution of the General Assembly, meetings of the 2020 special session of the General Assembly shall be held in accordance with the following schedule:

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BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the 2020 Special Session of the General Assembly shall adjourn sine die at the close of the legislative day on Monday, March 16, 2020.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the meetings of the General Assembly shall be held as prescribed in Code Section 28-1-2 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, except as otherwise provided by this resolution. The hours for convening and adjourning the House of Representatives for each legislative day may be as ordered by the House; and the hours for convening and adjourning the Senate for each legislative day may be as ordered by the Senate.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that on and after the latest legislative day specified above, the schedule for meetings of the 2020 regular session may be as provided by another resolution of the General Assembly adopted subsequent to the adoption of this resolution.

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 resolutions of the Senate:

SR 2EX. By Senators Miller of the 49th, Dugan of the 30th, Gooch of the 51st and Kennedy of the 18th:

A RESOLUTION to notify the House of Representatives that the Senate has convened; and for other purposes.

SR 3EX. By Senators Miller of the 49th, Dugan of the 30th, Gooch of the 51st and Kennedy of the 18th:

A RESOLUTION to notify the Governor that the General Assembly has convened; and for other purposes.

The following Resolution of the Senate was read and adopted:

SR 3EX. By Senators Miller of the 49th, Dugan of the 30th, Gooch of the 51st and Kennedy of the 18th

A RESOLUTION

To notify the Governor that the General Assembly has convened; and for other purposes.

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF GEORGIA that a committee of fourteen, seven from the Senate to be named by the President of the Senate and seven

from the House of Representatives to be named by the Speaker, be appointed to notify His Excellency, the Governor, that the General Assembly has convened in special session and is now ready for the transaction of business.

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

Mr. Speaker:

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

SR 5EX. By Senators Miller of the 49th, Dugan of the 30th, Gooch of the 51st and Kennedy of the 18th:

A RESOLUTION concurring with Governor Brian P. Kemp's Executive Order No. 03.14.20.01 declaring a public health state of emergency; and for other purposes.

The House stood at ease subject to the call of the Chair.

The Speaker called the House to order.

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

Alexander	Davis	E Hogan	McLaurin	Setzler
Allen	Dempsey	Holcomb	McLeod	E Shannon
Anulewicz	Dickerson	Holland	Meeks	Sharper
E Ballinger	Dickey	Holly	Metze	Singleton
Barr	Dollar	E Holmes	Mitchell	Smith, L
Barton	Douglas	Hopson	Momtahan	Smith, R
E Bazemore	Drenner	E Houston	Moore, B	Smith, V
E Beasley-Teague	Dreyer	E Howard	Moore, C	Smyre
E Belton	Dubnik	Hugley	Morris, M	E Stephens, M
Bennett	Dukes	Hutchinson	E Nelson	Stephens, R
Bentley	E Dunahoo	Jackson, D	Newton	Stephenson
Benton	Efstration	Jackson, M	Nguyen	Stovall
Beverly	Ehrhart	Jasperse	Nix	Tankersley
Blackmon	England	Jones, J	Oliver	E Tanner
Boddie	Erwin	Jones, J.B.	E Paris	Tarvin
Bonner	Evans	Jones, S	Park	E Taylor
E Bruce	Fleming	Jones, T	Parrish	Thomas, A.M.
Buckner	Frazier	Jones, V	Parsons	E Thomas, E
Burchett	Frye	E Kausche	E Petrea	Trammell
Burnough	Gaines	Kelley	Pirkle	Turner
Burns	E Gambill	Kendrick	Powell	Washburn
Caldwell	Gardner	Kennard	E Prince	Watson
Campbell	Gilliard	Kirby	E Pruett	Welch

E Cannon	Gilligan	Knight	Pullin	Werkheiser
Cantrell	Glanton	LaHood	Reeves	Wiedower
E Carpenter	Gordon	LaRiccica	Rhodes	Wilensky
Carson	Gravley	Lopez Romero	E Rich	E Wilkerson
Carter	Greene	Lott	Ridley	Williams, A
Cheokas	Gullett	Lumsden	Robichaux	E Williams, M.F.
Clark, D	Gurtler	E Marin	Rogers	Williams, N
Clark, H	E Harrell	Martin	Rutledge	Williams, R
Clark, J	Hatchett	Mathiak	Sainz	Williamson
Collins	Hawkins	Mathis	Schofield	Wilson
Cooke	Henson	McCall	E Scoggins	Yearta
Cooper	Hitchens	McClain	Scott	Ralston, Speaker
Corbett				

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

Representatives Morris of the 156th and Smith of the 41st.

They wished to be recorded as present.

The following Resolution of the House was read:

HR 3EX. By Representatives Burns of the 159th, Trammell of the 132nd, Jones of the 47th, Boddie of the 62nd, Kelley of the 16th and others:

A RESOLUTION concurring with Governor Brian P. Kemp's Executive Order No. 03.14.20.01 declaring a public health state of emergency; and for other purposes.

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

Y Alexander	Y Davis	E Hogan	Y McLeod	E Shannon
Y Allen	Y Dempsey	Y Holcomb	Y Meeks	Y Sharper
Y Anulewicz	Y Dickerson	Y Holland	Y Metze	E Silcox
E Ballinger	Y Dickey	Y Holly	Y Mitchell	Y Singleton
Y Barr	Y Dollar	E Holmes	Y Momtahan	Y Smith, L
Y Barton	Y Douglas	Y Hopson	Y Moore, B	Smith, M
E Bazemore	Y Drenner	E Houston	Y Moore, C	Y Smith, R
E Beasley-Teague	Y Dreyer	E Howard	E Morris, G	Y Smith, V
E Belton	Y Dubnik	Y Hugley	Y Morris, M	Y Smyre
Y Bennett	Y Dukes	Y Hutchinson	E Nelson	E Stephens, M
Y Bentley	E Dunahoo	Y Jackson, D	Y Newton	Y Stephens, R
Y Benton	Y Efstraction	Y Jackson, M	Y Nguyen	Y Stephenson
Y Beverly	Y Ehrhart	Y Jasperse	Y Nix	Y Stovall
Y Blackmon	Y England	Y Jones, J	Y Oliver	Y Tankersley
Y Boddie	Y Erwin	Y Jones, J.B.	E Paris	E Tanner
Y Bonner	Y Evans	Y Jones, S	Y Park	Y Tarvin
E Bruce	Y Fleming	Y Jones, T	Y Parrish	E Taylor
Y Buckner	Y Frazier	Y Jones, V	Y Parsons	Y Thomas, A.M.

Y Burchett	Y Frye	E Kausche	E Petrea	E Thomas, E
Y Burnough	Y Gaines	Y Kelley	Y Pirkle	Y Trammell
Y Burns	E Gambill	Y Kendrick	Y Powell	Y Turner
Y Caldwell	Y Gardner	Y Kennard	E Prince	Y Washburn
Y Campbell	Y Gilliard	Y Kirby	E Pruett	Y Watson
E Cannon	Y Gilligan	Y Knight	Y Pullin	Y Welch
Y Cantrell	Y Glanton	Y LaHood	Y Reeves	Y Werkheiser
E Carpenter	Y Gordon	Y LaRiccia	Y Rhodes	Y Wiedower
Y Carson	Y Gravley	Y Lopez Romero	E Rich	Y Wilensky
Y Carter	Y Greene	Y Lott	Y Ridley	E Wilkerson
Y Cheokas	Y Gullett	Y Lumsden	Y Robichaux	Y Williams, A
Y Clark, D	Y Gurtler	E Marin	Y Rogers	E Williams, M.F.
Y Clark, H	E Harrell	Y Martin	Y Rutledge	Y Williams, N
Y Clark, J	Y Hatchett	Y Mathiak	Y Sainz	Y Williams, R
Y Collins	Y Hawkins	Y Mathis	Y Schofield	Y Williamson
Y Cooke	Y Henson	Y McCall	E Scoggins	Y Wilson
Y Cooper	E Hill	Y McClain	Y Scott	Y Yearata
Y Corbett	Y Hitchens	Y McLaurin	Y Setzler	Ralston, Speaker

On the adoption of the Resolution, the ayes were 145, nays 0.

The Resolution was adopted.

The House stood at ease subject to the call of the Chair.

The House stood at ease until 1:15 o'clock, this afternoon.

The House stood at ease until 1:45 o'clock, this afternoon.

The House stood at ease subject to the call of the Chair.

The Speaker called the House to order.

The following Resolution of the House was read:

HR 4EX. By Representatives Burns of the 159th, Kelley of the 16th and Hatchett of the 150th:

A RESOLUTION concurring with Governor Brian P. Kemp's Executive Order No. 03.14.20.01 declaring a public health state of emergency; and for other purposes.

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

Y Alexander	Davis	E Hogan	Y McLeod	E Shannon
Y Allen	Y Dempsey	Y Holcomb	Y Meeks	Y Sharper
Y Anulewicz	E Dickerson	Y Holland	Y Metzke	E Silcox

E Ballinger	Y Dickey	Y Holly	Y Mitchell	Y Singleton
Y Barr	Y Dollar	E Holmes	Y Momtahan	Y Smith, L
Y Barton	Y Douglas	Y Hopson	Y Moore, B	Y Smith, M
E Bazemore	Y Drenner	E Houston	Y Moore, C	Y Smith, R
E Beasley-Teague	Y Dreyer	E Howard	Y Morris, G	Y Smith, V
E Belton	Y Dubnik	Y Hugley	Y Morris, M	Y Smyre
Y Bennett	Y Dukes	Y Hutchinson	E Nelson	E Stephens, M
Y Bentley	E Dunahoo	Y Jackson, D	Y Newton	Y Stephens, R
Y Benton	Y Efstration	Y Jackson, M	Y Nguyen	Y Stephenson
Y Beverly	Y Ehrhart	Y Jasperse	Y Nix	Y Stovall
Y Blackmon	Y England	Y Jones, J	Y Oliver	Y Tankersley
Y Boddie	Y Erwin	E Jones, J.B.	E Paris	E Tanner
Y Bonner	Y Evans	Y Jones, S	Y Park	Y Tarvin
E Bruce	Y Fleming	Y Jones, T	Y Parrish	E Taylor
Y Buckner	E Frazier	Y Jones, V	Y Parsons	Y Thomas, A.M.
Y Burchett	Y Frye	E Kausche	E Petrea	E Thomas, E
Y Burnough	Y Gaines	Y Kelley	Y Pirkle	Y Trammell
Y Burns	E Gambill	Y Kendrick	Y Powell	Y Turner
Y Caldwell	Y Gardner	Y Kennard	E Prince	Y Washburn
Y Campbell	Y Gilliard	Y Kirby	E Pruet	Y Watson
E Cannon	Y Gilligan	Y Knight	Y Pullin	Y Welch
Y Cantrell	Y Glanton	Y LaHood	Y Reeves	Y Werkheiser
E Carpenter	Y Gordon	Y LaRiccica	Y Rhodes	Y Wiedower
Y Carson	Y Gravley	Y Lopez Romero	E Rich	Y Wilensky
Y Carter	Y Greene	Y Lott	Y Ridley	E Wilkerson
Y Cheokas	Y Gullett	Y Lumsden	Y Robichaux	Y Williams, A
Y Clark, D	N Gurtler	E Marin	Y Rogers	E Williams, M.F.
Y Clark, H	E Harrell	Y Martin	Y Rutledge	Y Williams, N
Y Clark, J	Y Hatchett	Y Mathiak	Y Sainz	Y Williams, R
Y Collins	Y Hawkins	Y Mathis	Y Schofield	Y Williamson
Y Cooke	Y Henson	Y McCall	E Scoggins	Y Wilson
Y Cooper	E Hill	Y McClain	Y Scott	Y Yeara
Y Corbett	Y Hitchens	Y McLaurin	Y Setzler	Ralston, Speaker

On the adoption of the Resolution, the ayes were 142, nays 1.

The Resolution was adopted.

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:

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A RESOLUTION concurring with Governor Brian P. Kemp's Executive Order No. 03.14.20.01 declaring a public health state of emergency; and for other purposes.

Representative Burns of the 159th moved that the House do now adjourn sine die, and the motion prevailed.

Pursuant to SR 2EX, adopted by the House and Senate, the Speaker announced the House adjourned sine die.