The House will reconvene for its 31st Legislative Day on Wednesday, March 7 at 10:00 a.m.
The Rules committee will meet at 9:00 a.m.
2 bills / resolutions are expected to be debated on the floor.

Today on the Floor

Rules Calendar

SB 2  "The FAST Act - Fairness, Accountability, Simplification, and Transparency - Empowering Our Small Businesses to Succeed"

Bill Summary: Senate Bill 2 amends Chapter 8 of Title 50 of the O.C.G.A. to provide for the development of a ready for partnership certification for each county and municipality by the Department of Community Affairs (DCA).

DCA shall establish a voluntary certification program, which shall be known as Ready for Partnership Georgia, for each municipality or county. A council, made up of 13 total members, shall establish metrics for certifying counties and municipalities and for providing for a process of review, renewal, and revocation of the certifications.

The council shall be chaired by the commissioner of DCA, in addition to 12 other members. Three members will be appointed by the Governor, three by the President of the Senate, three by the Speaker of the House, one recommended by the Georgia Municipal Association and approved by the Governor, one recommended by the Association County Commissioners of Georgia and approved by the governor, and one recommended by the Georgia Chamber of Commerce and approved by the governor.

The certification shall be based upon metrics that include licensing and permitting fees charged by the county or municipality, the time required by the local government to process applications for licenses and permits, and the consolidation of forms and documents to avoid repetitive or duplicative requests for information, among others.

Authored By: Sen. Mike Dugan (30th)
House Committee: Small Business Development
Floor Vote: Yeas: 160  Nays: 5
Rule Applied: Modified-Structured
Committee Action: 02-15-2018 Do Pass by Committee
Amendments: LC 21 5981ERS

Postponed Until Next Legislative Day

HB 964 Rockdale County; Board of Education; modify compensation of members

Bill Summary: This bill changes the compensation of the members of the Rockdale County Board of Education to $1,000 per month. In 2020, the compensation will increase to $1,200 per month.

Authored By: Rep. Vernon Jones (91st)
Local Calendar

HB 945  Macon-Bibb County; ad valorem tax; provide homestead exemption

Bill Summary: This bill provides a homestead exemption, which has the effect of a valuation freeze, from Macon-Bibb County ad valorem taxes for county purposes.

Author By: Rep. Allen Peake (141st)  
House Committee: Intragovernmental Coordination - Local  
Floor Vote: Yeas: 104  Nays: 56  
Floor Action: Failed to reach 2/3rds for Passage

Rule Applied: House Committee 03-01-2018 Do Pass

HB 979  Johns Creek, City of; term limits for mayor and councilmembers; provide

Bill Summary: This bill states that no person elected as mayor or councilmember in a City of Johns Creek election shall serve more than two consecutive, four-year terms of office.

Author By: Rep. Brad Raffensperger (50th)  
House Committee: Intragovernmental Coordination - Local  
Floor Vote: Yeas: 164  Nays: 0  
Floor Action: Do Pass

Rule Applied: House Committee 03-01-2018 Do Pass

HB 980  Dade County; levy an excise tax

Bill Summary: This bill authorizes the governing authority of Dade County to levy an excise tax.

Author By: Rep. John Deffenbaugh (1st)  
House Committee: Intragovernmental Coordination - Local  
Floor Vote: Yeas: 164  Nays: 0  
Floor Action: Do Pass

Rule Applied: House Committee 03-01-2018 Do Pass

HB 985  Hull, Town of; revise terms of office and timing of elections for mayor and councilmembers

Bill Summary: This bill revises the terms of office and the timing of elections for the mayor and councilmembers of the Town of Hull.

Author By: Rep. Tom McCall (33rd)  
House Committee: Intragovernmental Coordination - Local  
Floor Vote: Yeas: 164  Nays: 0  
Floor Action: Do Pass

Rule Applied: House Committee 03-01-2018 Do Pass

HB 990  Rockdale County; Board of Education; modify compensation of members

Bill Summary: This bill changes the compensation of the members of the Rockdale County Board of Education to $1,000 per month.

Author By: Rep. Pam Dickerson (113th)  
House Committee: Intragovernmental Coordination - Local  
Floor Vote: Yeas: 164  Nays: 0  
Floor Action: Do Pass

Rule Applied: House Committee 03-01-2018 Do Pass

HB 991  Putnam County; Board of Education; change compensation of members

Bill Summary: This bill changes the compensation of the members of the Putnam County Board of Education to $700 per month.

Author By: Rep. Trey Rhodes (120th)  
House Committee: Intragovernmental Coordination - Local  
Floor Vote: Yeas: 164  Nays: 0  
Floor Action: Do Pass

Rule Applied: House Committee 03-01-2018 Do Pass
HB 1003 Gilmer County; Board of Education; provide for compensation of members

Bill Summary: This bill states members of the Gilmer County Board of Education shall be compensated $400 per month.

Author By: Rep. David Ralston (7th)
House Committee: Intragovernmental Coordination -Local
Floor Vote: Yeas: 164 Nays: 0

Rule Applied: Committee Action: 03-01-2018 Do Pass

SB 262 Stockbridge, City of; corporate boundaries of the city; revise

Bill Summary: This bill revises the corporate boundaries of the City of Stockbridge.

Author By: Sen. Rick Jeffares (17th)
House Committee: Intragovernmental Coordination -Local
Floor Vote: Yeas: 95 Nays: 58

Rule Applied: Committee Action: 03-01-2018 Do Pass

SB 270 City of Trenton in Dade County; position of city clerk from elective to appointive; change

Bill Summary: This bill changes the position of city clerk for the City of Trenton from elective to appointive.

Author By: Sen. Jeff Mullis (53rd)
House Committee: Intragovernmental Coordination -Local
Floor Vote: Yeas: 164 Nays: 0

Rule Applied: Committee Action: 03-01-2018 Do Pass

SB 387 City of Dahlonega; filling of vacancies; provide

Bill Summary: This bill states if there is a vacancy in one or more elected offices of the City of Dahlonega, the remaining elected officials shall appoint a qualified person to fill the unexpired term. The appointee shall not be eligible to run in the next succeeding election.

Author By: Sen. Steve Gooch (51st)
House Committee: Intragovernmental Coordination -Local
Floor Vote: Yeas: 164 Nays: 0

Rule Applied: Committee Action: 03-01-2018 Do Pass

SB 392 City of Doerun; new charter; provide

Bill Summary: This bill provides a new charter for the City of Doerun.

Author By: Sen. Dean Burke (11th)
House Committee: Intragovernmental Coordination -Local
Floor Vote: Yeas: 164 Nays: 0

Rule Applied: Committee Action: 03-01-2018 Do Pass
Next on the Floor from the Committee on Rules

*The Committee on Rules has fixed the calendar for the 31st Legislative Day, Wednesday, March 7 and bills may be called at the pleasure of the Speaker. The Rules Committee will next meet on Wednesday, March 7, at 9:00 a.m., to set the Rules Calendar for the 32nd Legislative Day.*

**HR 1089** United States Congress; pass the federal Marketplace Fairness Act; urge

*Bill Summary:* House Resolution 1089 urges the United States Congress to pass the federal "Marketplace Fairness Act" in support of equity and sales tax fairness.

*Authored By:* Rep. Jay Powell (171st)  
*House Committee:* Ways & Means  
*Rule Applied:* Structured  
*Action:* 02-22-2018 Do Pass

**R 1225** Congress; pass the Building Rail Access for Customers and the Economy (BRACE) Act; urge

*Bill Summary:* HR 1225 urges Congress to pass the Building Rail Access for Customers and the Economy (BRACE) Act. The BRACE Act is a bill which would make permanent a tax credit for rail improvement and enhancements.

*Authored By:* Rep. Brian Prince (127th)  
*House Committee:* Transportation  
*Rule Applied:* Modified-Open  
*Committee:* 02-22-2018 Do Pass

**Committee Actions**

*Bills passing committees are reported to the Clerk's Office and are placed on the General Calendar.*

*No committees took action on general bills today.*
Committee Meeting Schedule

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