



Georgia HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

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2020

DAILY REPORT

2nd
Legislative
Day

House Budget & Research Office
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- The House will reconvene for its 3rd Legislative Day on Wednesday, January 15 at 10:30 a.m.
- No bills / resolutions are expected to be debated on the floor.

Today on the Floor

Motions to Insist

HB 276 Sales and use tax; certain persons that facilitate certain retail sales; require collection of tax

Bill Summary: House Bill 276 amends O.C.G.A. 48-8-2, relating to definitions regarding sales and use tax, by adding the terms "marketplace facilitator" and "marketplace seller", as well as expanding the definition of "dealer", to require marketplace facilitators to collect and remit sales tax on behalf of marketplace sellers.

A "marketplace facilitator" is a person who contracts with a marketplace seller to make available or facilitate taxable retail sales on the marketplace seller's behalf. This includes promoting, marketing, advertising, taking or reserving orders, providing the physical or electronic infrastructure that brings purchasers and marketplace sellers together, or otherwise assisting the marketplace seller in making retail sales and collecting, charging, processing, or otherwise facilitating payment for the retail sales.

A "marketplace seller" is a person that conducts retail sales through or facilitated by any physical or electronic marketplace or platform operated by a marketplace facilitator.

The definition of "dealer" is expanded to include marketplace facilitators who assisted taxable sales through delivery, held for pickup, used, consumed, distributed, stored for use or consumption, or rendered as a service in Georgia if the total value of all sales, including sales from marketplace sellers and the marketplace facilitator itself, exceeds \$100,000 in the previous or current calendar year.

Authored By: Rep. Brett Harrell (106th)

Rule Applied: Structured

Motions to Insist: *(A motion to insist sends the bill back to the Senate for consideration.)*

Committee Actions

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

Retirement Committee

HB 245 Peace Officers' Annuity Fund; require certain benefits payable to a surviving spouse to terminate if such surviving spouse remarries; remove a provision

Bill Summary: HB 245 allows surviving spouses of members of the Peace Officers' Annuity and Benefit Fund to retain spousal retirement benefits if the spouse remarries. This bill is certified by the Georgia Department of Audits and Accounts as a fiscal retirement bill. The actuarial investigation determines there is no cost to this legislation.

Authored By: Rep. Debbie Buckner (137th)
House Committee: Retirement
Committee Action: 01-14-2020 Do Pass

HB 593 Tax Commissioners Retirement Fund of Georgia; create

Bill Summary: HB 593 creates the Tax Commissioners Retirement Fund of Georgia, open to certain tax commissioners, tax collectors, tax receivers, and the secretary-treasurer of the fund. The bill creates a Board of Commissioners consisting of seven members. Members are required to pay \$105 per month and additional funds will come from a \$3 fee collected by county tax commissioners on each delinquent tax bill. Members are eligible for benefits once they reach 96 months of creditable service, turn 60 years old, and are no longer serving as a full-time tax commissioner. The benefit will be \$12 for each month of creditable service in the fund. This will not impact participation in any other retirement system and the State Auditor will conduct an annual audit of the Board and report that to the General Assembly. This bill is certified by the Georgia Department of Audits and Accounts as a fiscal retirement bill. The actuarial investigation estimates the total increase in the annual employer contribution is \$660,116. Of the total increase, \$126,000 is covered by member contributions and the remaining \$534,116 is funded through the \$3 fee collected on each delinquent tax bill.

Authored By: Rep. Tommy Benton (31st)
House Committee: Retirement
Committee Action: 01-14-2020 Do Pass

HB 652 Sheriffs' Retirement Fund of Georgia; payments to the fund from fees collected in civil actions; increase

Bill Summary: HB 652 increases the death benefits for Sheriffs' Retirement Fund of Georgia from \$15,000 to \$25,000. The bill increases payments to the fund by increasing the fee collected in civil actions from \$1 to \$3. This bill is certified by the Georgia Department of Audits and Accounts as a fiscal retirement bill. The actuarial investigation estimates the increase in the annual employer contribution is \$228,743. This increase is covered by the fee collected in civil actions increasing from \$1 to \$3, totaling \$1,377,000 in additional revenue.

Authored By: Rep. Noel Williams (148th)
House Committee: Retirement
Committee Action: 01-14-2020 Do Pass by Committee Substitute

HB 663 Georgia Judicial Retirement System; membership for certain persons employed in certain full time positions requiring admission to the State Bar of Georgia as a condition of employment; require

Bill Summary: HB 663 allows employees of the newly created Georgia Business Court (HB 239, 2019 Session) to become members of the Judicial Retirement System of Georgia (JRS) if they are employed full-time and are in good standing with the State Bar of Georgia. All other employees of the Georgia Business Court will be members of the Employees' Retirement System of Georgia (ERS). ERS is required to transfer employee and employer contributions to JRS and the member will

receive service credit in JRS equal to the amount of service they earned while a member of ERS. This bill is certified by the Georgia Department of Audits and Accounts as a fiscal retirement bill. The actuarial investigation determines there is no cost to this legislation.

Authored By: Rep. Chuck Efstration (104th)
House Committee: Retirement

Committee Action: 01-14-2020 Do Pass by Committee Substitute

Committee Meeting Schedule

This meeting schedule is up to date at the time of this report, but meeting dates and times are subject to change. To keep up with the latest schedule, please visit www.house.ga.gov and click on [Meetings Calendar](#).

Wednesday, January 15, 2020

1:00 PM	HIGHER EDUCATION	606 CLOB
2:00 PM	DEFENSE AND VETERANS AFFAIRS	415 CLOB
2:00 PM	STATE PROPERTIES	403 CAP
3:00 PM	INDUSTRY AND LABOR	506 CLOB