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Week 7 (Legislative Days 23-25)

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The General Assembly convened Tuesday through Thursday this week for Legislative Days 23-25.

### **Appropriations**

[HB 973](#), the FY2026 Amended Budget, passed the Senate and House on Wednesday, February 25. The amended budget is now with the Governor for signature.

Next week will be pivotal in the legislative session, with two committee work days scheduled for Monday and Thursday. The General Assembly will reconvene on Tuesday, March 3, for Legislative Day 26 and end the week with Crossover Day (Legislative Day 28) on Friday, March 6. As a reminder, any bill that does not pass out of its originating house by Crossover Day is no longer eligible for passage.

This report is a compilation of items acted on this week affecting Georgia's judiciary. To view more legislation pertaining to the judiciary as well as bill summaries and previous reports, please visit [georgiacourts.gov/legislation](https://georgiacourts.gov/legislation).

## **Final Passage**

### **[HB 857 - Cobb County; State Court; chief deputy clerk and clerk; change salary](#)**

House Sponsor: Rep. Terry Cummings (D – Mableton)

**Action:** Received a Do Pass by the Senate State and Local Governmental Operations Committee (2/26/26); Passed the Senate by a vote of 48-0 (2/26/26). ***Final Passage.***

### **[HB 935 - Thomas County; Probate Court; authorize assessment and collection of a technology fee](#)**

House Sponsor: Rep. Chas Cannon (R – Moultrie)

**Action:** Received a Do Pass by the Senate State and Local Government Operations Committee (2/24/26); Passed the Senate by a vote of 53-0 (2/24/26). ***Final Passage.***

### **[HB 1067 - West Point, City of; ad valorem tax for municipal purposes; provide homestead exemption](#)**

House Sponsor: Rep. Vance Smith (R – Pine Mountain)

**Action:** Received a Do Pass by the Senate State and Local Governmental Operations Committee (2/24/26); Passed the Senate by a vote of 53-0 (2/24/26). ***Final Passage.***

### **[HB 1083 - Madison County; Magistrate Court; authorize assessment and collection of a technology fee](#)**

House Sponsor: Rep. Rob Leverett (R – Elberton)

**Action:** Received a Do Pass by the Senate State and Local Governmental Operations Committee (2/26/26); Passed the Senate by a vote of 48-0 (2/26/26). ***Final Passage.***

### **[HB 1084 - Madison County; Probate Court; authorize assessment and collection of a technology fee](#)**

House Sponsor: Rep. Rob Leverett (R – Elberton)

**Action:** Received a Do Pass by the Senate State and Local Governmental Operations Committee (2/26/26); Passed the Senate by a vote of 48-0 (2/26/26). ***Final Passage.***

### **[HB 1140 - Ben Hill County; Magistrate Court; authorize assessment and collection of a technology fee](#)**

House Sponsor: Rep. Leesa Hagan (R – Lyons)

**Action:** Received a Do Pass by the Senate State and Local Governmental Operations (2/24/26); Passed the Senate by a vote of 53-0 (2/24/26). ***Final Passage.***

### **[HB 1169 - Spalding County; Probate Court; authorize assessment and collection of a technology fee](#)**

House Sponsor: Rep. Beth Camp (R – Concord)

**Action:** Received a Do Pass by the Senate Intragovernmental Coordination (2/24/26); Passed the Senate by a vote of 53-0 (2/24/26). ***Final Passage.***

### **[HB 1170 - Spalding County; State Court; authorize assessment and collection of a technology fee](#)**

House Sponsor: Rep. Beth Camp (R – Concord)

**Action:** Received a Do Pass by the Senate Intragovernmental Coordination (2/24/26); Passed the Senate by a vote of 53-0 (2/24/26). ***Final Passage.***

### **[HB 1172 - Spalding County; Magistrate Court; authorize assessment and collection of a technology fee](#)**

House Sponsor: Rep. Beth Camp (R – Concord)

**Action:** Received a Do Pass by the Senate State and Local Government Operations Committee (2/24/26); Passed the Senate by a vote of 53-0 (2/24/26). ***Final Passage.***

[HB 1246 - Clayton, City of; provide new charter](#)

House Sponsor: Rep. Victor Anderson (R – Cornelia)

**Action:** Received a Do Pass by the Senate State and Local Governmental Operations Committee (2/24/26); Passed the Senate by a vote of 53-0 (2/24/26). **Final Passage.**

[HB 1258 - Muscogee County; State Court; provide additional judge](#)

House Sponsor: Rep. Tremaine Teddy Reese (D – Columbus)

**Action:** Received a Do Pass by the Senate State and Local Governmental Operations Committee (2/24/26); Passed the Senate by a vote of 53-0 (2/24/26). **Final Passage.**

[SB 218 - Prosecuting Attorneys Qualifications Commission; shall be assigned for administrative purposes only to the Administrative Office of the Courts; provide](#)

Senate Sponsor: Sen. Randy Robertson (R – Cataula)

**Action:** The Senate Agreed to the House Substitute to SB 218 by a vote of 49-1 (2/25/26). **Final Passage.**

**Floor Votes**

[HB 792 - Courts; increase amount of magistrate court claims from \\$15,000.00 to \\$30,000.00](#)

House Sponsor: Rep. Martin Momtahan (R – Dallas)

**Action:** Passed the House by Substitute by a vote of 170-0 (2/25/26); Introduced and assigned to the Senate Judiciary Committee (2/26/26).

[HB 1075 - Sexual offenses; modify penalty for offenders previously convicted of the offense of trafficking of persons for labor or sexual servitude](#)

House Sponsor: Rep. Johnny Chastain (R – Blue Ridge)

**Action:** Passed the House by a vote of 166-0 (2/26/26).

[HB 1097 - Mental health; criminal background, license status, and registry checks for owners, applicants, and employees of certain mental health facilities; provide](#)

House Sponsor: Rep. Jesse Petrea (R – Savannah)

**Action:** Passed the House by Substitute by a vote of 164-2 (2/26/26).

[HB 1131 - Criminal procedure; personal service of process for notice of a warrant application hearing; provide](#)

House Sponsor: Rep. Soo Hong (R – Lawrenceville)

**Action:** Passed the House by a vote of 166-0 (2/26/26).

[HB 1185 - Courts; certain shareholder claims to be brought before the Georgia State-wide Business Court; provide](#)

House Sponsor: Rep. Chuck Efstrotation (R – Mulberry)

**Action:** Passed the House by a vote of 161-5 (2/25/26); Introduced and assigned to Senate Judiciary Committee (2/26/26).

[HB 1329 - Controlled substances; Schedule I; provide certain provisions](#)

House Sponsor: Rep. Ron Stephens (R – Savannah)

**Action:** Received a Do Pass by the House Judiciary Non-Civil Committee (2/23/26); Passed the House by a vote of 171-0 (2/25/26); Introduced and assigned to the Senate Health and Human Services Committee (2/26/26).

[HB 1344 - Georgia Insurance Affordability and Claims Integrity Act; enact](#)

House Sponsors: Rep. Matt Reeves (R – Duluth)

**Action:** Passed the House by a vote of 166-3 (2/26/26).

[HB 1358 - Brooks County; Magistrate Court; authorize assessment and collection of a technology fee](#)

House Sponsor: Rep. John LaHood (R – Valdosta)

**Action:** Passed the House by a vote of 158-0 (2/26/26).

[HB 1375 - Hall County; State Court; judges; restate provisions](#)

House Sponsor: Rep. Lee Hawkins (R – Gainesville)

**Action:** Received a Do Pass by the House Intragovernmental Coordination Committee (2/26/26); Passed the House by a vote of 158-0 (2/26/26).

[SB 116 - DNA Sampling; the collection of DNA samples from any individual in a detention facility charged with a misdemeanor or felony who is subject to an immigration detainer notice; require](#)

Senate Sponsor: Sen. Anthony Bearden (R – Carrollton)

**Action:** Passed the Senate by Substitute by a vote of 33-20 (2/25/26); Introduced and assigned to the House Public Safety and Homeland Security (2/26/26).

[SB 392 - "Waste Reduction Act of 2026"; enact](#)

Senate Sponsor: Sen. John Albers (R – Roswell)

**Action:** Passed the Senate by a vote of 44-7 (2/24/26); Introduced and assigned to House Appropriations Committee (2/26/26).

[SB 433- "Rio's Law"](#)

Senate Sponsor: Sen. Brian Strickland (R – McDonough)

**Action:** Passed the Senate by Substitute by a vote of 54-0 (2/25/26); Introduced and assigned to House Public Safety and Homeland Security Committee (2/26/26).

[SB 470 - "Emergency & Public Safety Signal Protection Act"; enact](#)

Senate Sponsor: Sen. John Albers (R – Roswell)

**Action:** Received a Do Pass by Substitute by the Senate Judiciary Committee (2/23/26); Passed the Senate by Substitute by a vote of 47-0 (2/26/26).

[SB 491 - Cobb Judicial Circuit; assistant district attorneys; change the salaries](#)

Senate Sponsor: Sen. Ed Setzler (R – Acworth)

**Action:** Received a Do Pass by the Senate State and Local Governmental Operations Committee (2/24/26); Passed the Senate by a vote of 53-0 (2/24/26); Introduced and assigned to the House Intragovernmental Coordination Committee (2/26/26).

[SB 492 - State Court of Cobb County; additional assistant solicitor positions; provide](#)

Senate Sponsor: Sen. Ed Setzler (R – Acworth)

**Action:** Received a Do Pass by the Senate State and Local Governmental Operations Committee (2/24/26); Passed the Senate by a vote of 53-0 (2/24/26); Introduced and assigned to the House Intragovernmental Coordination Committee (2/26/26).

**Committee and Subcommittee Hearings & Action**

[HB 421 - Interstate Sexual Predator Prevention Act; enact](#)

House Sponsor: Rep. Darlene Taylor (R – Thomasville)

**Action:** Received a Do Pass by Substitute by the House Judiciary Non-Civil Committee (2/23/26).

[HB 527 - Domestic relations; creation and revisions of certain child abuse protocol procedures for cases of alleged child abuse; provide](#)

House Sponsor: Rep. Long Tran (D – Dunwoody)

**Action:** Received a Do Pass as Amended by the House Judiciary Juvenile Committee (2/25/26).

[HB 566 - NO FAKES Act of 2025; enact](#)

House Sponsor: Rep. Soo Hong (R – Lawrenceville)

**Action:** Received a Do Pass by Substitute by the House Creative Arts & Entertainment Committee (2/25/26).

[HB 626 - Criminal procedure; extend retention period of evidence of sexual assault when victim elects not to immediately report assault](#)

House Sponsor: Rep. Karen Lupton (D – Chamblee)

**Action:** Received a Do Pass by Substitute by the House Judiciary Non-Civil Committee (2/23/26).

[HB 668 - Crimes and offenses; change references to assistance and guide dogs to service dogs](#)

House Sponsor: Rep. Brad Thomas (R – Holly Springs)

**Action:** Received a Do Pass by Substitute by House Public and Community Health Committee (2/25/26).

[HB 688 - Appeal and error; service of process; provide by certified mail and statutory overnight delivery, return receipt requested](#)

House Sponsor: Rep. Omari Crawford (D – Decatur)

**Action:** Received a Do Pass by House Judiciary Committee (2/23/26).

[HB 821 - Criminal procedure; include aggravated assault as a bailable offense only before a superior court judge](#)

House Sponsor: Rep. Matthew Gambill (R – Cartersville)

**Action:** Received a Do Pass by the House Judiciary Non-Civil Committee (2/26/26).

[HB 905 - Employees' Retirement System; any member shall be eligible to transfer funds to Judicial Retirement System; provide](#)

House Sponsor: Rep. Gary Richardson (R – Evans)

**Action:** Received a Do Pass by Substitute by House Retirement Committee (2/25/26).

[HB 1028 - District Attorney Compensation Reform Act; enact](#)

House Sponsor: Rep. Matt Reeves (R – Duluth)

**Action:** House withdrawn and recommitted to the House Judiciary Committee (2/25/26).

[HB 1076 - Crimes and offenses; create felony offense of obstruction of a law enforcement officer with a motor vehicle](#)

House Sponsor: Rep. Ginny Ehrhart (R – Powder Springs)

**Action:** Received a Do Pass by the House Judiciary Non-Civil Committee (2/23/26).

[HB 1138 - Increasing Access to Contraceptives Act; enact](#)

House Sponsor: Rep. Beth Camp (R – Concord)

**Action:** Received a Do Pass by the House Health Committee (2/24/26).

[HB 1196 - Crimes; offense of criminal trespass involving a wild animal; provide](#)

House Sponsor: Rep. Tyler Paul Smith (R – Bremen)

**Action:** Received a Do Pass as Amended by Substitute by the House Judiciary Non-Civil Committee (2/23/26).

[HB 1221 - Property owners' associations; written notice of certain sums; provide](#)

House Sponsor: Rep. Saira Draper (D – Atlanta)

**Action:** Received a Do Pass as Amended by House Judiciary Committee (2/23/26).

[HB 1226 - Crimes; justification for use of force in defense of self or others; revise standards](#)

House Sponsor: Rep. David Clark (R – Buford)

**Action:** Received a Do Pass by Substitute by the House Judiciary Non-Civil Committee (2/26/26).

[HB 1268 - Official Code of Georgia Annotated; revise, modernize and correct errors in omissions](#)

House Sponsor: Rep. James Burchett (R – Waycross)

**Action:** Received a Do Pass by the House Code Revision Committee (2/24/26).

[HB 1282 - Criminal procedure; offenses involving a victim under 16 years of age; include offense of aggravated sexual battery](#)

House Sponsor: Rep. Tyler Paul Smith (R – Bremen)

**Action:** Received a Do Pass by the House Judiciary Non-Civil Committee (2/26/26).

[HB 1283 - Family Justice Center Act; enact](#)

House Sponsor: Rep. Esther Panitch (D – Sandy Springs)

**Action:** Received a Do Pass by Substitute by the House Judiciary Juvenile Committee (2/23/26).

[HB 1290 - Crimes and offenses; protection of elder persons; sexual abuse; revise definition](#)

House Sponsor: Rep. Hilton Scott (R – Peachtree Corners)

**Action:** Received a Do Pass by the House Judiciary Non-Civil Committee (2/23/26).

[HB 1303 - Crimes and offenses; offense of possession of a controlled substance in the presence of a child; provide](#)

House Sponsor: Rep. Trey Kelley (R – Cedartown)

**Action:** Received a Do Pass as amended by the House Judiciary Non-Civil Committee (2/23/26).

[HB 1324 - Crimes and offenses; possessing a silencer; repeal prohibition](#)

House Sponsor: Rep. Jason Ridley (R – Chatsworth)

**Action:** Received a Do Pass by the House Judiciary Non-Civil Committee (2/23/26).

[HB 1348 - Civil practice; compensation for receivers; provide](#)

House Sponsors: Rep. Tyler Paul Smith (R – Bremen)

**Action:** Received a Do Pass as Amended by House Judiciary Committee (2/23/26).

[HB 1362 - Public officers; persons having certain financial interest shall be ineligible to hold certain public offices; provide](#)

House Sponsor: Rep. Jason Ridley (R – Chatsworth)

**Action:** Received a Do Pass by Substitute by the House Governmental Affairs Committee (2/24/26).

[HB 1365 - Atlanta Judicial Circuit; superior courts; provide twenty-first judge](#)

House Sponsor: Rep. Todd Jones (R – South Forsyth)

**Action:** Received a Do Pass by House Judiciary Committee (2/23/26).

[HB 1368 - Mental health; re-creation of community service boards; provide](#)

House Sponsor: Rep. Sharon Cooper (R – Marietta)

**Action:** Received a Do Pass by Substitute by the House Public and Community Health (2/25/26).

[HB 1390 - Motor vehicles; declare vehicles used in the commission of reckless stunt driving offenses contraband and authorize forfeiture](#)

House Sponsor: Rep. Inga Willis (D – Atlanta)

**Action:** Received a Do Pass as amended by the House Judiciary Non-Civil Committee (2/23/26).

[HB 1398 - Georgia Child Care Alternatives, Resources, and Education Act; Trixtian's Law; enact](#)

House Sponsor: Rep. Sharon Cooper (R – Marietta)

**Action:** Received a Do Pass by the House Judiciary Non-Civil Committee (2/26/26).

[HB 1409 - Domestic relations; revise mandated reporting of child abuse](#)

House Sponsor: Rep. Beth Camp (R – Concord)

**Action:** Introduced and assigned to the House Judiciary Juvenile Committee (2/24/26); Received a Do Pass by the House Judiciary Juvenile Committee (2/25/26).

[HB 1445 - Juvenile proceedings; authorize sharing of GPS monitoring with law enforcement and school districts](#)

House Sponsor: Rep. Rick Townsend (R – Brunswick)

**Action:** Introduced and assigned to the House Judiciary Juvenile Committee (2/24/26); Received a Do pass by the House Judiciary Juvenile Committee (2/25/26).

[SB 160 - Reckless Stunt Driving; a motor vehicle involved in a second offense of reckless stunt driving; replace the forfeiture penalty](#)

Senate Sponsor: Sen. Kay Kirkpatrick (R – Marietta)

**Action:** Received a Do Pass by the House Motor Vehicles Committee (2/24/26).

[SB 202 - Discovery; discovery in misdemeanor cases; change provisions](#)

Senate Sponsor: Sen. Harold Jones (D – Augusta)

**Action:** Received a Do Pass by the Senate Judiciary Committee (2/23/25).

[SB 216 - Georgia Judicial Retirement System; membership in the system for individuals employed as the director of the Prosecuting Attorneys Qualifications Commission; provide](#)

Senate Sponsor: Sen. Randy Robertson (R – Cataula)

**Action:** Received a Do Pass by the Senate Retirement Committee (2/24/26).

[SB 327 - Clayton Judicial Circuit; sixth judge of the superior courts; provide](#)

Senate Sponsor: Sen. Elena Parent (D – Atlanta)

**Action:** Received a Do Pass by Substitute by the Senate Judiciary Committee (2/23/26).

[SB 383 - Child Abuse; local child fatality review committees; modify the review](#)

Senate Sponsor: Sen. Kay Kirkpatrick (R – Marietta)

**Action:** Received a Do Pass by the House Judiciary Juvenile Committee (2/23/26).

[SB 473 - Motor Vehicles and Traffic; submission of proof of completion of certified DUI Alcohol](#)

[or Drug Use Risk Reduction Programs by certain applicants to obtain limited driving permits; require](#)

Senate Sponsor: Sen. Randy Robertson (R – Cataula)

**Action:** Received a Do Pass as Amended by the Senate Public Safety Committee (2/25/26).

[SB 486 - Laws and Statutes; provisions relating to the effect and enforcement of foreign laws; revise](#)

Senate Sponsor: Sen. Greg Dolezal (R – Cumming)

**Action:** Received a Do Pass by the Senate Judiciary Committee (2/23/26).

[SB 488 - Torts; generative artificial intelligence systems shall constitute personal property for purposes of certain actions for product liability alleging injury to a minor; provide](#)

Senate Sponsor: Sen. Ed Setzler (R – Acworth)

**Action:** Received a Do Pass by the Senate Judiciary Committee (2/26/26).

[SB 489 - Board of Commissioners of the Judges of the Probate Courts Retirement Fund of Georgia; allow to set monthly dues](#)

Senate Sponsor: Sen. Russ Goodman (R – Cogdell)

**Action:** Received a Do Pass in the Senate Retirement Committee (2/24/26).

[SB 523 - Education; public schools and postsecondary educational institutions to consider antisemitism in the same manner as discrimination based on religion; authorize](#)

Senate Sponsor: Sen. Russ Goodman (R – Cogdell)

**Action:** Received a Do Pass by the Senate Higher Education Committee (2/25/26).

[SB 527 - Sheriffs; candidates for the office of sheriff are certified peace officers at the time of qualifying as a candidate; require](#)

Senate Sponsor: Sen. Randy Robertson (R – Cataula)

**Action:** Received a Do Pass by the Senate Public Safety Committee (2/23/26).

[SB 542 - Sexual Offenses; clergy members to be charged with certain improper sexual contact offenses; permit](#)

Senate Sponsor: Sen. Randy Robertson (R – Cataula)

**Action:** Introduced and assigned to the Senate Judiciary Committee (2/24/26); Received a Do Pass by Substitute by the Senate Judiciary Committee (2/25/26).

[SR 622 - Joint Study Committee on Evaluating Escalating Costs in Georgia's Foster Care System; create](#)

Senate Sponsor Kay Kirkpatrick (R – Marietta)

**Action:** Received a Do Pass by the House Judiciary Juvenile Committee (2/25/26).

### **New Bills Introduced This Week**

[HB 1120 - Union County; governing authority; change from a sole commissioner to a five-member board of commissioners; provide advisory referendum](#)

House Sponsor: Rep. Stan Gunter (R – Blairsville)

**Action:** Introduced and assigned to the Senate State and Local Governmental Operations Committee (2/24/26).

[HB 1403 - Courts; service by judges, justices, court officers, and other individuals as a judge advocate in certain capacities; provide](#)

House Sponsor: Rep. Reynaldo Martinez (R – Loganville)

**Action:** Introduced and assigned to the House Judiciary Committee (2/24/26).

[HB 1405 - Courts; cognitive behavioral therapy for certain children in restrictive custody with the Department of Juvenile Justice; provide](#)

House Sponsor: Rep. Soo Hong (R – Lawrenceville)

**Action:** Introduced and assigned to the House Judiciary Juvenile Committee (2/24/26).

[HB 1407 - Civil Practice Act; scheduling of civil trials; provide](#)

House Sponsor: Rep. Rob Leverett (R – Elberton)

**Action:** Introduced and assigned to the House Judiciary Committee (2/24/26).

[HB 1412 - Courts; payment of certain money arising from traffic fines generated by members of the Uniform Division of the Department of Public Safety; provide](#)

House Sponsor: Rep. Lauren McDonald III (R – Cumming)

**Action:** Introduced and assigned to House Public Safety and Homeland Security (2/24/26).

[HB 1429 - Courts; juvenile court clerks collect and submit data regarding monetary sanctions assessed for juvenile offenders to the Administrative Office of the Courts; require](#)

House Sponsor: Rep. Bethany Ballard (R – Warner Robins)

**Action:** Introduced and assigned to the House Judiciary Juvenile Committee (2/25/26).

[HB 1431 - Child custody; presumption of joint physical custody in divorce proceedings; provide](#)

House Sponsor: Rep. Beth Camp (R – Concord)

**Action:** Introduced and assigned to the House Judiciary Committee (2/25/26).

[HB 1433 - Courts; make certain acts of the unauthorized practice of law felonies and to provide for penalties](#)

House Sponsor: Rep. Joseph Gullet (R – Dallas)

**Action:** Introduced and assigned to the House Judiciary Committee (2/25/26).

[HB 1435 - Mount Airy, Town of; Municipal Court; authorize assessment and collection of a technology fee](#)

House Sponsor: Rep. Victor Anderson (R – Cornelia)

**Action:** Introduced and assigned to the House Intragovernmental Coordination Committee (2/25/26).

[HB 1436 - Georgia Keep Violent Criminals Off Our Streets Act; enact](#)

House Sponsor: Rep. Houston Gaines (R – Athens)

**Action:** Introduced and assigned to the House Public Safety and Homeland Security Committee (2/25/26).

[HB 1452 - Mableton, City of; Municipal Court; authorize assessment and collection of a technology fee](#)

House Sponsor: Rep. Terry Cummings (D – Mableton)

**Action:** Introduced and assigned to the House Intragovernmental Coordination Committee (2/26/26).

[HB 1454 - Crimes and offenses; firearms and carrying and possession of firearms and other](#)

[weapons; revise various laws](#)

House Sponsor: Rep. Jason Ridley (R – Chatsworth)

**Action:** Introduced and assigned to the House Public Safety and Homeland Security Committee (2/26/26).

[HB 1456 - Crimes and offenses; protective orders or consent agreements for victims against persons who have committed acts of sexual assault; provide](#)

House Sponsor: Rep. Marvin Lim (D – Norcross)

**Action:** Introduced and assigned to the House Judiciary Non-Civil Committee (2/26/26).

[HB 1457 - Ad valorem tax; preferential assessment of affordable home use property; provide](#)

House Sponsor: Rep. Marvin Lim (D – Norcross)

**Action:** Introduced and assigned to the House Ways & Means Committee (2/26/26).

[HB 1458 - Crimes and offenses; permit clergy members to be charged with certain improper sexual contact offenses](#)

House Sponsor: Rep. Tyler Paul Smith (R – Bremen)

**Action:** Introduced and assigned to the House Judiciary Non-Civil Committee (2/26/26).

[HB 1461 - Muscogee County; Superior Court; salary of the clerk of superior court and the chief deputy clerk; change provisions](#)

House Sponsor: Rep. Tremaine Teddy Reese (D – Columbus)

**Action:** Introduced and assigned to the House Intragovernmental Coordination Committee (2/26/26).

[HB 1469 - Crimes; restriction and seal of certain records upon sentencing of a first conditional discharge for possession of controlled substances and certain nonviolent property crimes; provide](#)

House Sponsor: Rep. Mary Ann Santos (D – McDonough)

**Action:** Introduced and assigned to the House Judiciary Non-Civil Committee (2/26/26).

[HB 1470 - Torts; abusive litigation based on alleged website access violations under federal and state law; create a cause of action](#)

House Sponsor: Rep. Trey Kelley (R – Cedartown)

**Action:** Introduced and assigned to the House Judiciary Committee (2/26/26).

[HB 1478 - Court Technology Funding Act; enact](#)

House Sponsor: Rep. Mary Ann Santos (D – McDonough)

**Action:** House Hopper (2/26/26).

[HB 1479 - Civil practice; certain alleged acts by clergy members; extend statute of limitations](#)

House Sponsor: Rep. Gabriel Sanchez (D – Smyrna)

**Action:** House Hopper (2/26/26).

[HB 1482 - Jails; certain municipal corporations make municipal detention facilities or jails available for use by a sheriff under certain conditions; require](#)

House Sponsor: Rep. Chuck Martin (R – Alpharetta)

**Action:** House Hopper (2/26/26).

[SB 546 - Death Investigations; include microscopic and toxicology studies and immunization records in the investigation of a sudden and unexpected death of a child; require coroner and medical examiners](#)

Senate Sponsor: Sen. Rick Williams (R – Milledgeville)

**Action:** Introduced and assigned to the Senate Public Safety Committee (2/24/26).

[SB 547 - Offenses of Pimping and Pandering; modify the penalties](#)

Senate Sponsor: Sen. Brian Strickland (R – McDonough)

**Action:** Introduced and assigned to the Senate Judiciary Committee (2/24/26).

[SB 548 - Fraud and Related Offenses; certain for profit organizations from the term "credit repair services organization"; exempt](#)

Senate Sponsor: Sen. Carden Summers (R – Cordele)

**Action:** Introduced and assigned to the Senate Banking and Financial Institutions Committee (2/24/26).

[SB 549 - Law Enforcement Officers and Agencies; covered governmental entities from providing funding or resources in support of the operation of immigration detention centers; prohibit](#)

Senate Sponsor: Sen. Jaha Howard (D – Smyrna)

**Action:** Introduced and assigned to the Senate Interstate Cooperation Committee (2/24/26).

[SB 550 - Torts; manufacturers of firearms relative to absence or inclusion of safety features in certain instances; limit liability](#)

Senate Sponsor: Sen. Carden Summers (R – Cordele)

**Action:** Introduced and assigned to the Senate Judiciary Committee (2/24/26).

[SB 558 - Controlled Substances; possession of certain quantities of marijuana constitute a misdemeanor; provide](#)

Senate Sponsor: Sen. Harold Jones (D – Augusta)

**Action:** Introduced and assigned to the Senate Judiciary Committee (2/24/26).

[SB 563 - "Juvenile Second Chance Record Confidentiality Act"; enact](#)

Senate Sponsor: Sen. Randal Mangham (D – Stone Mountain)

**Action:** Introduced and assigned to the Senate Judiciary Committee (2/25/26).

[SB 564 - Sexual Assault; the maintenance of physical evidence collected from an alleged sexual assault; extend](#)

Senate Sponsor: Sen. Randal Mangham (D – Stone Mountain)

**Action:** Introduced and assigned to the Senate Public Safety Committee (2/24/26).

[SB 569 - Motor Vehicles and Traffic; the issuance of emergency vehicle light permits for towing service companies in certain instances; provide](#)

Senate Sponsor: Sen. Brian Strickland (R – McDonough)

**Action:** Introduced and assigned to the Senate Public Safety Committee (2/25/26).

[SB 572 - Criminal Prosecutions; an additional justification for use of force in defense of self or others; provide](#)

Senate Sponsor: Sen. Brian Strickland (R – McDonough)

**Action:** Introduced and assigned to the Senate Judiciary Committee (2/25/26); Received a Do Pass by Substitute by the Senate Judiciary Committee (2/26/26).

[SB 575 - City of Metter; ad valorem taxes for municipal purposes; provide a homestead exemption](#)

Senate Sponsor: Sen. Billy Hickman (R – Statesboro)

**Action:** Introduced and assigned to the Senate State and Local Governmental Operations

Committee (2/25/26).

[SB 577 - "Coordinated PFAS Remediation Act"; enact](#)

Senate Sponsor: Sen. Sam Watson (R – Moultrie)

**Action:** Introduced and assigned to the Senate Natural Resources and the Environment Committee (2/26/26).

[SB 578 - DeKalb County; board of education; the description of the education districts; change](#)

Senate Sponsor: Sen. Emanuel Jones (D – Decatur)

**Action:** Introduced and assigned to the Senate State and Local Governmental Operations Committee (2/26/26).

[SB 582 - Coroners; the pronouncement of death by paramedics and emergency medical technicians; authorize](#)

Senate Sponsor: Sen. Rick Williams (R – Milledgeville)

**Action:** Introduced and assigned to the Senate Health and Human Services Committee (2/26/26).

[SB 584 - Ad Valorem Tax; class action suits by taxpayers for refunds; prohibit](#)

Senate Sponsor: Sen. Max Burns (R – Sylvania)

**Action:** Introduced and assigned to the Senate State and Local Governmental Operations Committee (2/26/26).

[SB 587 - Offenses Against Public Health and Morals; the establishment of an animal cruelty database; provide](#)

Senate Sponsor: Sen. Shawn Still (R – Suwanee)

**Action:** Introduced and assigned to the Senate Public Safety Committee (2/26/26).

[SB 591 - Offenses Against Public Order; the disruption of a religious service; prohibit](#)

Senate Sponsor: Sen. Steeve Gooch (R – Dahlonega)

**Action:** Introduced and assigned to Senate Judiciary Committee (2/26/26).

[SB 592 - "One Strike Act"; enact](#)

Senate Sponsor: Sen. Steeve Gooch (R – Dahlonega)

**Action:** Introduced and assigned to Senate Judiciary Committee (2/26/26).

[SB 594 - Internet and E-mail Fraud; the criminal offense of digital identity fraud; establish](#)

Senate Sponsor: Sen. Timothee Bearden (R – Carrollton)

**Action:** Introduced and assigned to Senate Judiciary Committee (2/26/26).

[SB 604 - Crimes and Offenses; the Attorney General concurrent jurisdiction with district attorneys to conduct criminal prosecutions of violent crimes, illegal immigration offenses, and fentanyl offenses; provide](#)

Senate Sponsor: Sen. Bill Cowsert (R – Athens)

**Action:** Introduced and assigned to Senate Special Committee on Investigations Committee (2/26/26).

[SB 605 - Prosecuting Attorneys; additional grounds for discipline of a district attorney or solicitor-general or for his or her removal or involuntary retirement from office; provide](#)

Senate Sponsor: Sen. Bill Cowsert (R – Athens)

**Action:** Introduced and assigned to Senate Special Committee on Investigations Committee (2/26/26).

[SB 606 - "District Attorney Compensation Reform Act"; enact](#)

Senate Sponsor: Sen. Bill Cowsert (R – Athens)

**Action:** Introduced and assigned to Senate Special Committee on Investigations Committee (2/26/26).

[SB 607 - Grand Juries; creation, selection, composition, compensation, procedures, and term; provide](#)

Senate Sponsor: Sen. Bill Cowsert (R – Athens)

**Action:** Introduced and assigned to Senate Special Committee on Investigations Committee (2/26/26).

[SB 608 - Administration of Estates; summary administration of certain estates; provide](#)

Senate Sponsor: Sen. Russ Goodman (R – Cogdell)

**Action:** Senate Hopper (2/26/26).

[SR 875 - State-Wide Grand Juries; jurisdiction, powers, and duties; provide –CA](#)

Senate Sponsor: Sen. Bill Cowsert (R – Athens)

**Action:** Introduced and assigned to Senate Special Committee on Investigations (2/26/26).

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**Monday, March 2, 2026 – Committee Work Day**

8:00 AM	House Public Safety and Homeland Security	506 CLOB
10:00 AM	House Judiciary	132 CAP
10:00 AM	House Judiciary Juvenile	406 CLOB
11:00 AM	House Rules	341 CAP
1:00 PM	Senate Public Safety	450 CAP
2:00 PM	House Judiciary Non-Civil	132 CAP
4:00 PM	Senate Judiciary	307 CLOB

**Tuesday, March 3, 2026 – Legislative Day 26**

9:00 AM	House Rules	341 CAP
9:00 AM	Senate Retirement	310 CLOB
10:00 AM	House Floor Session	House Chamber
1:00 PM	Senate Floor Session	Senate Chamber

**Wednesday, March 4, 2026 – Legislative Day 27**

9:00 AM	House Rules	341 CAP
10:00 AM	House Floor Session	House Chamber
10:00 AM	Senate Floor Session	Senate Chamber
1:00 PM	Senate Public Safety	450 CAP

**Thursday, March 5, 2026 – Committee Work Day**

10:00 AM	Senate Rules	450 CAP
2:00 PM	Senate Judiciary	307 CLOB

**Friday, March 6, 2026 – Legislative Day 28 (Crossover Day)**

10:00 AM	House Floor Session	House Chamber
10:00 AM	Senate Floor Session	Senate Chamber

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