

BOC Meeting Date 3/18/20

Requesting Agency	<i>'</i>
COMMISSIONERS (	(Ellis)

Commission Districts Affected
All Districts

**Requested Action** (Identify appropriate Action or Motion, purpose, cost, timeframe, etc.)
APPROVAL

Requirement for Board Action (Cite specific Board policy, statute or code requirement)

Is this Item related to a Strategic Priority Area? (If yes, note strategic priority area below)

Is this a purchasing item?

No

**Summary & Background** 

(First sentence includes Agency recommendation. Provide an executive summary of the action that gives an overview of the relevant details for the item.)

Request approval of an Ordinance to amend Fulton County Code s 101-38 (d) relating to budgetary controls for travel expenses for members of the Board of Commissioners; and for other purposes. (Ellis)

Contract & Compliance Information

(Provide Contractor and Subcontractor details.)

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1 2 3 4	RELATING TO BUDGETARY CONTROLS FOR TRAVEL EXPENSES FOR MEMBERS OF THE BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES
5	WHEREAS, since October 16, 2002, the Chair and each Commissioner has
6	been allowed up to \$13,000 for each fiscal year, for Commission-related business
7	outside of Fulton County, including professional conferences and conventions; and
8	WHEREAS, on December 19, 2018, the Board of Commissioners approved
9	Ordinance No. 18-1040, which amended Fulton County Code of Ordinances §101-38(d)
10	to increase the budget allowance for travel for each Commissioner from \$13,000.00 to
11	\$50,000.00, a nearly 300% increase; and
12	WHEREAS, Fulton County desires to improve its transparency in spending and
13	further align with its goal of all citizens trusting that Fulton County is an efficient steward
14	of taxpayer funds by reducing the travel budget allowance for each Commissioner back
15	to the previous level of \$13,000.
16	NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT ORDAINED, that Fulton County Code of Ordinances
17	§101-38(d) is hereby amended as follows:
18	Travel. Each commissioner is allocated an annual travel budget of
19	\$50,000.00 \$13,000.00 for specific commission-related business outside
20	of Fulton County, including professional conferences and conventions.
21	The finance director shall establish a separate travel account for each
22	commissioner. Travel per diem for food and lodging shall be paid from
23	said travel accounts when documented by the submission of receipts or

other proofs of payment of said incurred expenses.

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Prior to undertaking each period of county travel status hereunder, said
commissioner shall submit a written memorandum of travel to be
maintained by the finance director with said commissioner's travel
account. Said memorandum of travel shall specifically designate the travel
destinations, the commission-related business and purposes of said
travel, and the planned duration of said travel. Said memorandum shall
also comply with Fulton County's Personnel Policy and Procedures No.
209-16 governing travel, training, parking automobile allowance and
mileage reimbursement. Funds allocated to annual travel budgets may be
transferred from the travel expense account to any other operating
account of the commissioner's office. Funds from the operations
accounts, other than risk management-related accounts, may be
transferred into the travel and training budget.

**BE IT FURTHER ORDAINED,** that this Ordinance shall become effective when adopted, and that all ordinances, resolutions and parts of ordinances and resolutions in conflict with this Ordinance, are hereby repealed to the extent of the conflict.

**BE IT FINALLY ORDAINED**, that the Fulton County Clerk to the Commission shall coordinate with and submit a copy of this Ordinance to Municode to be codified.

1	PASSED AND ADOPTED	by the Board of Commissioners of Fulton County,
2	Georgia this day of	, 2020.
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8		Bob Ellis, Commissioner
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15 16		Tonya A. Grier
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Agenda Item	Summary	BOC Meeting Date 3/04/2020
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External Affairs		All Districts
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FULTON COUNTY 2020 LEGISLATIVE UPDATE
Department of External Affairs - March 4, 2020 Item #



SUPPORT LONG-TERM TRANSIT FUNDING AND REGIONAL COOPERATION

**ENSURE AUTONOMY FOR FULTON COUNTY AIRPORT** 

CREATE EQUITY IN APPEALS PROCESS FOR COMMERCIAL PROPERTY ASSESSMENTS

RENGTHEN BEHAVIORAL HEALTH MODEL & NDING FOR SUBSTANCE ABUSE PREVENTION

SIMPLIFY HOMESTEAD EXEMPTIONS

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PROTECT AIR QUALITY

IMPROVE BOARD OF EQUALIZATION PROCESS

CREATE A MORE EFFICIENT & EFFECTIVE
JUSTICE SYSTEM

ENSURE EMERGENCY MEDICAL SERVICE
TRANSPARENCY



2020 State Legislative Update ENSURE SECURE & ACCESSIBLE ELECTIONS

SUPPORT CREATIVE INDUSTRIES

SUPPORT HOMEOWNER PROTECTIONS

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SUPPORT HOUSING SOLUTIONS & AFFORDABILITY



2020 State Legislative Update

### Amended Fiscal Year 2020 and Fiscal Year 2021 Budgets

The House of Representatives voted 126-46 to pass the Amended Fiscal Year 2020 Budget (<u>HB 792</u>); the bill is now in the Senate for review and adoption. Appropriations continues work on Fiscal Year 2021 budget (<u>HB 793</u>).

### **Highlights of ACCG House Summary of Changes:**

- **DEPARTMENT OF BEHAVIORAL HEALTH AND DEVELOPMENTAL DISABILITIES:** Increase funds to maintain statewide crisis bed infrastructure and capacity \$2.5 million.
- GEORGIA BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION: Increase funds for special agent in charge of GBI Gang Task Force \$135k
- **HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES**: Reduce funds to reflect efficiencies (\$800k)
- Criminal Justice Coordinating Council: Restore funds to mitigate cuts to Juvenile Incentive Grants \$100k

## **Local Design Standards**

HB 937 Local Design Standards Preempted – Reps. Smith R-133 (Pine Mountain), McCall R-33 (Elberton), Ridley R-6 (Chatsworth): HB 937 prohibits cities and counties from regulating any building material, product or construction practice for single-family homes if these are approved in the state minimum standard codes, unless permission from a Department of Community Affairs (DCA) board is granted. Residential building design standards for aesthetic purposes would not be allowed (even with the DCA board's permission) since the only local building code amendments allowed under current law have to be based solely on local climatic, geologic, topographic, or public safety factors.

This bill prohibits local government regulations and ordinances, just as <u>HB 302</u> and <u>SB 172</u>, on the following: Exterior building color; Type or style of exterior cladding material; Style or materials of roof structures or porches; Exterior nonstructural architectural ornamentation; Location or architectural styling of windows and doors, including garage doors; The number and types of rooms; and Types of foundation structures approved under state minimum standard codes.

House Agriculture & Consumer Affairs Committee Favorably Reported

## **Courts Addressing Gang Activities**

HB 994 Courts; provisions relating to addressing criminal gang activities – Reps. Reeves R-34 (Marietta), Fleming R-121 (Harlem), Efstration R-104 (Dacula): This legislation revises Titles 15, 16 and 17 of the Georgia code with provisions related to addressing criminal gang activity. The legislation provides for a number of offenses committed by 13 - 17 year olds in gangs to be tried in superior court. The bill expands venue to any county in which multiple offenses by gangs are committed.

Referred to House Judiciary Non-Civil Committee

### **Tax Commissioner Contracts**

HB 979 Ad valorem tax; contracts with the county tax commissioner – Reps. Martin R-49 (Alpharetta), Jones R-47(Milton), Hatchett R-150 (Dublin): This bill adds special tax districts for contracting with or between a county, municipality, or the county tax commissioner for services by the county tax commissioner to assess and collect municipal and special district taxes and prepare the tax digest. The bill also prohibits a tax commissioner who is compensated on a salary basis to accept, receive, and or retain compensation, commissions, fees, or any other forms of personal remuneration from the county for such additional duties and responsibilities in addition to that except the compensation provided by law to be paid to the tax commissioner by the county pursuant to Code Section 48-5-183. Any amount erroneously paid to or accepted, received, or retained by a tax collector or tax commissioner shall be recovered by the state revenue commissioner from such tax collector or tax commissioner and paid into the general fund of the county.

Referred to House Ways & Means Committee

### **Annexation**

HB 121 City of South Fulton; change corporate boundaries — Reps. Bruce D-61 (Atlanta), Bazemore D-63 (City of South Fulton), Jackson D-64 (City of South Fulton), Boddie D-62 (East Point) and Beasley-Teague D-65 (Fairburn): This bill changes the corporate boundaries of the City of South Fulton to include the Fulton Industrial District except the Fulton County Executive Airport - Charlie Brown Field and contiguous Fulton-owned properties.

Recommitted to Senate State and Local Government Operations
Committee

### **Annexation - SUPPORT**

HB 867 Local government; county operated airport property – Reps. Martin R-49 (Alpharetta), Dollar R-45 (Marietta), Jones R-47 (Milton): This legislation would prohibit a city from annexing a county owned airport unless the county adopts a resolution approving the annexation. This bill was amended to apply to a city with 85 square miles within its corporate limits (previously 125 square miles).

Referred to House Governmental Affairs Committee; Elections Subcommittee Hearings on 2/19/2020 and 2/26/2020

# **Development Authorities**

	Bill #/Author	Description	Status
Tack	HB 837 Fulton County Development Authority Limitations – Reps. Martin R- 49 (Alpharetta), Jones R- 47(Milton), Jones R-25 (South Forsyth) HB 986 Local government;	This legislation prohibits county development authorities, in counties where at least 95% of the land area is incorporated, from acquiring property titles, undertaking projects and granting tax abatements without the approval of the board of education or municipality where the property, project, or abatement is located. This legislation currently only applies to Fulton County.	Referred to House Ways & Means Committee
age -/	HB 986 Local government; members of a county or municipal governing authority appointed as directors of development authorities shall not serve as chairpersons or chief executive officers of such authorities – Reps. D. Jackson D-64 (City of South Fulton), Bazemore D-63 (City of South Fulton), Bruce D-61 (Atlanta)	This legislation limits the governing authority of a county or municipality to appoint no more than one member of the governing authority as a director, provided that such member shall not serve as the chairperson or chief executive officer of the authority. The bill also requires that county development authorities for "'massively municipalized" counties obtain the consent of certain municipalities and school systems to acquire property or undertake projects within such municipalities. This legislation currently only applies to Fulton County.	Referred to House Governmental Affairs Committee

### **Elections**

HB 757 Elections; Flexibility in Setting Filing Period for Special Elections – Reps. Fleming R-121 (Harlem), Burns R-159 (Newington), Jones R-47 (Milton): This bill statutorily authorizes the Georgia Secretary of State to designate filing dates/periods for those running in special elections to fill a vacated seat for federal and state office and local election superintendents to set the qualifying dates for those running for county office. Funded by the County, this bill requires "special primaries" for special elections to fill vacated state legislative seats. It also addresses the dates by which persons may register to vote in special elections.

House Governmental Affairs Committee Favorably Reported By Substitute

## Legal Organ Advertisement Requirements

SB 406 Legal Organ; Modify Legal Advertisement Requirements – Senators Anderson R-24 (Grovetown), Black R-8 (Valdosta), Walker III R-20 (Perry): This bill authorizes counties to post legal advertisements on their county website, the legal organ's website, or a common statewide website in addition to the required paid post in the county's legal organ. The legal organ would still get paid to run the advertisement and all other current conditions in law would apply. However, should the legal organ delay or fail to post the notice in print, any of the aforementioned outlets would serve as adequate notice to the public. Current state law allows for no other recourse if a legal organ fails to run a legal advertisement.

Referred to Senate State and Local Governmental Operations Committee

## **Development Impact Fees**

SB 322 Development Impact Fees; Optional Exemption for Affordable Housing – Senators Ginn R-47 (Danielsville), Miller R-49 (Gainesville), Orrock D-36 (Atlanta): This bill would authorize counties and cities to waive development impact fees for developments that provide affordable housing.

Senate Passed (54-1); Referred to House Governmental Affairs Committee

# **Abolish County Police Department: Bypassing County Commissioners - OPPOSE**

SB 317 New Process to Abolish County Police Department – Senators Ligon R-3 (Brunswick), Hufstetler R-52 (Rome), Miller R-49 (Gainesville): SB 317 seeks to allow local legislative delegations to bypass county commissioners by general legislation. This bill is a general bill that will allow a local legislative delegation to pass local legislation calling for a local referendum to abolish a county police department. Under current law the county must pass a resolution to create a county police department and have a referendum prior to that creation. The decision to abolish a county police department is at the sole discretion of the County Commission. This bill was amended to add a sunset date of January 1, 2022.

Senate Government Oversight Committee Favorably Reported by Substitute

Companion Bill <u>HB 866</u>: Referred to House Governmental Affairs Committee

### **Tax Commissioners Retirement Fund**

HB 593 Tax Commissioners Retirement Fund – Representative Benton R-31 (Jefferson): This bill would create a state retirement fund for Tax Commissioners. It would be funded by contributions from the tax commissioners individually, plus a \$3 fee on delinquent tax bills. This retirement fund would be in addition to any other retirement fund in which a tax commissioner participates.

NOTE: The Fulton County Tax Commissioner OPPOSES this legislation which would effectively use fees collected in Fulton County to subsidize the pensions of tax commissioners in other counties.

House Retirement Committee Favorably Reported

# Courts

	Bill #/Author	Description	Status
מאפנ דים	HB 765 Magistrate Court Judges and Clerks; Increase in Minimum Compensation – Reps. Scoggins R-14 (Cartersville), Gambill R- 15 (Cartersville), Powell R-32 (Hartwell)	This legislation provides a 5 percent cost of living adjustment for chief magistrates, effective January 1, 2021. According to the proposed schedule, the increase in the minimum annual salary for chief magistrates serving a population of 500,000 or more will rise from \$109,425.84 to \$133,106.73.	House Passed (142- 25); Senate State and Local Governmental Operations Committee Favorably Reported
90Z-	SB 295 Clarification; Constitutional Officers Pay Raise – Senators Wilkinson R-50 (Toccoa), Gooch R-51 (Dahlonega), Walker III R-20 (Perry)	Legislation was passed last session to provide Georgia's local constitutional officers a 5 percent pay raise, effective January 1, 2021. This legislation clarifies that this 5 percent pay raise is in addition to the constitutional officers' 2 percent cost of living adjustment received on January 1, 2020.	Senate Passed (50-1); Referred to House Governmental Affairs Committee

### **Short-Term Rentals**

HB 523 Short-Term Rentals; Preemption of Local Regulations – Reps. Carpenter R-4 (Dalton), Powell R-32 (Hartwell), Washburn R-141 (Macon): This bill would prohibit local regulation of most aspects of short-term rentals of property of eight days or less. Local governments could not prohibit such rentals, impose occupancy limits, require registration of such properties, regulate rental frequency, or require licenses/permits for or inspections of such properties.

ACCG Call to Action Request: Contact your state legislators to oppose.

House Regulated Industries Committee Favorably Reported By Substitute

### **Transit**

HB 511 New GDOT Division, Funding and Incentives – Reps. Tanner R-9 (Dawsonville), Smyre D-135 (Columbus), England R-116 (Auburn): This legislation streamlines statewide transit planning by creating one division under GDOT responsible for transit. Eight mobility zones are designated around the state with each overseen by a Mobility Manager and a council comprised of membership from the area's Regional Commission. Pilot programs are created to incentivize employers and assist underemployed/unemployed. New funding mechanisms include a state excise tax on ride-hailing services and taxis and counties could implement a Single County Transit SPLOST.

Referred to Senate Transportation Committee

## **Homestead Exemption**

SB 380 Fulton County school district; new homestead exemption – Senators Albers R-56 (Roswell), Beach R-21 (Alpharetta), Kirkpatrick R-32 (Marietta): Provides a new homestead exemption from Fulton County school district ad valorem taxes for educational purposes for county residents older than 65 years in the amount of 50 percent of the assessed value of a person's homestead when such person has owned his or her homestead for at least 30 years but less than 40 years, but not to exceed \$1,000.00 less than the amount of such tax owed, 70 percent of the assessed value of a person's homestead when such person has owned his or her homestead for at least 40 years but less than 50 years, but not to exceed \$2,000.00 less than the amount of such tax owed, and 90 percent of the assessed value of a person's homestead when such person has owned his or her homestead for 50 years or longer, but not to exceed \$3,000.00 less than the amount of such tax owed.

Referred to Senate State and Local Governmental Operations Committee

# **Taxation**

	Bill #/Author	Description	Status
Packet Page -	HB 448 Hotel/Motel Taxes; Collection by Online Facilitators – Reps. Dollar R-45 (Marietta), Stephens R-164 (Savannah), Frye D-118 (Athens)	This bill requires online platforms such as Airbnb/ VRBO to collect and remit local hotel/motel taxes on short-term rentals if the facilitator's platform facilitates at least \$100,000 annually in Georgia lodging sales.	House Ways & Means Committee Favorably Reported By Substitute
-806-	HB 715 Occupation Tax; Eliminate Gross Receipts Method and "\$400 Club" – Reps. Blackmon R-146 (Bonaire) and Harrell R- 106 (Snellville)	This bill eliminates the gross receipts method of calculating occupation taxes; eliminates the option specific professions and occupations have of selecting a \$400 annual fee rather than an occupation tax calculated by an otherwise accepted method; and requires proceeds from regulatory fees be used to fund such regulatory activity. The bill is effective July 1, 2025.	House Ways & Means Committee Favorably Reported; House Postponed

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acket Page -	HB 779 Title Ad Valorem Tax; revise distribution of the proceeds of such taxes among local governments – Reps. Blackmon R-146 (Bonaire), Williamson R- 115 (Monroe), Carson R- 46 (Marietta)	For vehicles registered to an address within city limits, this bill would change the distribution of the local share of title ad valorem taxes (TAVT). The county and city shares would reverse from their current percentages: the county would receive 23% (currently 28%) and the city would receive 28% (currently 23%). The school system would continue to get 49%, unless the city has a municipal school system. In that case, the city receives 49%, the school system receives 28%, and the county would receives 23%. The distribution of the local share of TAVT for vehicles registered to an unincorporated address does not change (51% county, 49% schools).	House Passed (157- 1); Referred to Senate Finance Committee
	HB 846 Interest on Taxes and Direct Sales Tax Pay Permits for Certain Industries – Reps. Corbett R-174 (Lake Park), Harrell R-106 (Snellville), Carson R-46 (Marietta)	This bill would lower the interest rate payable on tax refunds, as well as past-due taxes, to the prime rate (currently, prime rate plus 3%). The bill would further establish rules for direct pay permits for certain industries, allowing those companies to directly pay to the Dept. of Revenue sales taxes on their business purchases (rather than paying sales taxes to vendors who then remit those taxes).	House Ways & Means Committee Favorably Reported By Substitute; House Calendar Withdrawn, Recommitted to Rules

# Resolutions

Bill #/Author	Description	Status
HR 933 House Study Committee on Homeowners' Associations, Condominium Owners' Associations, and Property Owners in Community Associations – Reps. Poddie D-62 (East Point), Gravley R-Community Associations – Reps. Produce D-61 (Touglasville), Bruce D-61 Atlanta)	This resolution creates the House Homeowners' Associations, Condominium Owners' Associations, and Property Owners in Community Associations. Committee members are charged to undertake a study of the needs, issues, and problems associated with how these various communities could be better organized to implement requirements and procedures for turnover and transition from declarants, developers, or other establishing entities to property owners comprising the community association.	House Special Rules Committee Favorably Reported By Substitute
R 1023 Sovereign Immunity;  Waiver for Certain Non-Monetary  Plaims − Reps. Welch R-110  (McDonough), Efstration R-104  (Dacula), Fleming R- 121 (Harlem)	This proposed constitutional amendment would waive governmental sovereign immunity to allow lawsuits against the state, counties, and cities for declaratory judgments for actions allegedly outside the scope of their legal authority or in violation of the Georgia or U.S. Constitutions. Damages, attorney's fees, and other monetary costs would not be available under this amendment. Such lawsuits would be against the governmental entity, and could not be brought against individual government officials/employees. The amendment would further authorize future action by the General Assembly to waive sovereign immunity for injunctive relief, with certain procedural provisions to be included (such action by the General Assembly is already permissible under the existing Constitution).	House Passed (163-0); Referred to Senate Judiciary Committee

# Adjournment Calendar – SR 712

### THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF GEORGIA

Wednesday, March 4 Legislative Day 24
Thursday, March 5 Legislative Day 25
Friday, March 6
Monday, March 9 Legislative Day 26
Tuesday, March 10 Legislative Day 27
Wednesday, March 11 Committee Work Day
Thursday, March 12 Legislative Day 28 (Crossover Day)



### **Upcoming Events**

 Joint Fulton County Delegation Meeting – HIV Prevention and Care: Friday, March 6, 2020 at 12:00 p.m. or upon adjournment, whichever is later, in CLOB Room 307