



LEGISLATIVE CALENDAR

This week, the Georgia General Assembly convened Monday, January 23 and worked through Thursday, January 26, completing days 5 through 8 of the 40-day Session. The legislature will reconvene on Monday, January 30, for legislative day 9 and work through Thursday, February 2.

To view Senate Resolution 6, the current adjournment resolution dictating the legislative calendar, <u>click</u> here.

GOVERNOR KEMP GIVES FIRST STATE OF THE STATE OF SECOND TERM.

Wednesday, January 25, Governor Kemp delivered his fifth State of the State Address before a joint session of the Georgia General Assembly. During the Address, the Governor outlined his priorities for the 2023 Legislative Session. Governor Kemp touted his Administration's continued success in securing unprecedented economic development projects across the state resulting in \$13 billion in investments and 17,000 new jobs, with 85% of those projects outside of metro Atlanta.

In addition, the Governor highlighted several components of his FY 2024 proposed spending plan including \$1 billion in income tax rebates to Georgians; \$1.1 billion in property tax grants; fully funding both the state's K-12 education system as well as the HOPE Scholarship and Grant programs; pay raises for teachers and state employees; and \$35 million for rural Georgia workforce housing. Governor Kemp's other legislative priorities include boosting the number of health care workers; increasing access to services to the state's indigent population through the "Georgia Pathways to Coverage" program; and a continued focus on promoting enhanced public safety solutions in Georgia's communities.

<u>Click here</u> to view the broadcast footage of Governor Kemp's State of the State Address.

<u>Click here</u> to view the State of the State press release from the Office of Governor Brian Kemp.

UPCOMING SPECIAL ELECTIONS IN THE GEORGIA GENERAL ASSEMBLY

GEORGIA STATE SENATE DISTRICT 11 SPECIAL ELECTION

A special Election will be held on January 31st, 2023, in portions of Brooks, Colquitt, Cook, Decatur, Grady, Thomas, and Seminole Counties for State Senate District 11, to fill a vacancy due to the resignation of State Senator Dean Burke

GEORGIA HOUSE DISTICT 7 SPECIAL RUN-OFF ELECTION

A Special runoff Election will be held on January 31, 2023, in portions of Fannin, Gilmer, and a portion of Dawson Counties for Georgia House District 119, to fill a vacancy due to the untimely passing of former Representative and House Speaker David Ralston.

GEORGIA STATE HOUSE DISTRICT 119 SPECIAL ELECTION

A Special Election will be held on January 31, 2023, in portions of Barrow and Jackson Counties for Georgia House District 119, to fill a vacancy due to the resignation of Representative-Elect Danny Rampey.

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GEORGIA STATE HOUSE DISTRICT 172 SPECIAL ELECTION

A Special Election will be held on January 31, 2023, in Colquitt, and portions of Cook and Thomas Counties for Georgia House District 172, to fill a vacancy due to the resignation of Representative Sam Watson.

GEORGIA STATE HOUSE DISTRICT 75 SPECIAL ELECTION

A Special Election will be held on March 21, 2023, in Clayton County for Georgia State House District 75, to fill a vacancy due to the resignation of Representative Mike Glanton.

To view all qualified candidate information on the Georgia Secretary of State's website, click here.

GEORGIA HISPANIC CHAMBER OF COMMERCE DAY AT THE GEORGIA STATE CAPITOL

Join the Georgia Hispanic Chamber and special invited guest on Tuesday, March 7th. This event provides a great opportunity for our members to connect with our legislators and become informed about critical issues and decisions that impact our state in the near future. Over the years, our guest speakers have included the State of Georgia Governor, Lieutenant Governor, Speaker of the House, and elected officials. Further event detail and registration information will follow in the coming weeks.

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