



# Senator John Albers

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Newsletter



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## Welcome

Happy New Year! On Monday, January 9th I was sworn in to continue my service to you in the Senate. I am grateful for the opportunity to help keep Georgia the #1 place to live, work, play and raise a family. Governor Kemp, Lt. Governor Jones and all our statewide elected officials were inaugurated on Thursday, January 12th. I hope you will consider visiting your Georgia Capitol. It is the people's building and available throughout the year to visit, testify, meet, or simply sightsee.

The Albers family is looking forward to a great 2023. Kari and I have a big anniversary coming up in February and our adult sons are both thriving. From my family to yours, blessings for a healthy and prosperous new year!

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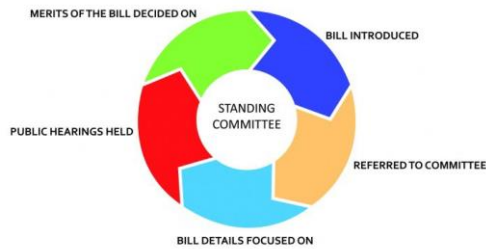
## Swearing In

I do hereby solemnly swear that I will support the Constitution of this state and of the United States and, on all questions and measures which may come before me, I will so conduct myself, as will, in my judgment, be most conducive to the interests and prosperity of this state...

So help me God, I will continue to serve you with honor and professionalism.

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## Committees



The committee process is a critical part of passing, amending or defeating legislation. I will serve of the following committees:

- Chairman, Public Safety
- Vice Chairman – Finance
- Subcommittee Chairman – Appropriations
- Rules
- Regulated Industries & Utilities
- Government Oversight



## Gang Violence

**Criminal Street Gangs = Violent Crimes**

Up to 90% of all violent crime is committed by criminal street gangs. This is our greatest threat and must be stopped. I am working on legislation to support our police, prosecutors and criminal justice system to

dismantle these organizations and bring them to justice.

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## Workforce - SB 3

I was proud to introduce the Reducing Barriers to State Employment Act of 2023. Working closely and supporting the initiative of Lt. Governor Burt Jones the bill is focused on assuring the jobs needed in state government have the proper skills, experience, and education.



"I want to thank Senator John Albers for his partnership and work on Senate Bill 3, the Reducing Barriers to State Employment Act of 2023," said Lt. Governor Jones. "This is a critical first step in addressing a top priority for our office, reducing barriers and creating opportunities for Georgia's workforce. Industries across the state are struggling to fill vacancies in roles on every level of the organization. Senate Bill 3 will make it easier for state offices, departments and agencies to hire qualified applicants."

- Lt. Governor Burt Jones

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## Budget

Governor Kemp led the nation in reopening Georgia from the pandemic. His tremendous leadership allowed Georgia to thrive and created the largest budget surplus in history. We are working on refunding a large amount back to the taxpayers as well as fund other important projects.



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