



November 2023 Newsletter

Yesterday we held municipal elections in many cities throughout Georgia. Campaigns are often filled with emotion and passion. Elections are a profound expression of our great republic and liberty. We should never take for granted our freedom of self-determination. Running for elected office is very difficult and I have the joys and scars of a few election cycles. Anyone who puts themselves forward to be placed on a ballot will endure tremendous stress on themselves, families, friends and business. I respect and thank everyone who participated in the process.

Congratulations to those who won. I urge you to be magnanimous, build bridges and serve with honor. If you came up short on votes, be sure to stay positive and involved. There are many ways to serve your community. Please call personally to concede the race and find a time very soon to meet personally with your former opponent to find common ground and work together. After all, the goal of public service is just that – serving the public.

We will return to the Capitol for a special legislative session on November 29th for the purpose of redistricting based on recent court action. On Monday, January 8, 2024 we will begin the second year of the legislative biennial. I am working diligently on preparing legislation and budget items to keep Georgia as the best place to live, work, play, and raise a family.

Thank you for allowing me to serve you. It has been a difficult time around the globe and Thanksgiving will have additional meaning for many of us this year. I proudly stand in support of Israel and Ukraine. We are thankful for our family, friends, state, and nation. From the Albers family to yours, we wish you a blessed and Happy Thanksgiving!

Georgia is #1 - Again!

Governor Kemp announced that the state achieved an unprecedented milestone: a full decade of business excellence, earning the rank of No. 1 state for business for 10 consecutive years. No other state in the nation has achieved this benchmark!





Edge Treatment Grand Opening

Recently I was privileged to attend an open house for a new business, Edge Treatment. Edge provides outpatient treatment, using a proven process for addiction recovery and was founded by people who have experienced addiction or have been touched by the disease. Edge Treatment offers outpatient treatment and counseling including Rehab Counseling, Transitional Counseling, and Lasting Recovery. You can learn more at: www.edgetreatment.com

Fulton County Jail

Last month, as the Senate Chairman of Public Safety, I appointed a subcommittee to fully investigate the root cause and solutions available. The first meeting was held on November 2nd and we heard testimony from the Georgia Sheriff's Association, Georgia Jailers Association, and Fulton County Sheriff's office. The next meeting will be scheduled soon.



Workforce Study Committee

I was honored to be named the Chairman for SR275 creating a study committee focusing on expanding Georgia's workforce by Lt. Governor Burt Jones. The final meeting will be held on 11/14 at the Capitol to deliver our final report and recommendations. You can learn more about the committee by clicking on this [link](#).

Tax Credit Review Committee

The Tax Credit Review study committee continues to hold meetings throughout the state. We recently met in Columbus, GA and will deliver a final report and recommendations later this year. I have been a champion to measure all credits and assure a "ROI" return on investment for all your state tax dollars.





Artificial Intelligence Committee

I held my first committee meeting on Artificial Intelligence at the Capitol on 11/1. We heard from Industry leaders including CGI, Amazon Web Services, and Dentons Law. Each speaker brought a unique perspective to educate committee members as well looking at important guardrails for the state to consider. We will be working diligently on this important topic to protect Georgians while encouraging innovation. The next meeting will be 12/4 @ 4:00 pm.



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