



April 2025 Newsletter

The 2025 Legislative Session concluded, and we adjourned Sine Die on April 4th. We passed landmark legislation, balanced our budget, and worked tirelessly to help families and businesses. Governor Kemp will review all legislation to either veto or sign into law.

Listed below are some highlights. Our work continues now with standing and study committees, conferences, meeting with constituents, and preparation for 2026.

Major Legislation Passed

Disaster Relief - In addition to the over \$850 million in disaster aid included in the amended FY 2025 budget, Senate Bill 52 provided relief to timber owners as part of HB 223, and Senate Bill 201 enhances protections for consumers dealing with property damage in the aftermath of Hurricane Helene.

School Safety- This year's budget includes another round of robust school safety grants, with the Majority Caucus augmenting this funding with three critical bills: Senate Bill 17 "Ricky and Alyssa's Law", Senate Bill 61 regarding terroristic threats, and Senate Bill 179 and ensuring timely and accurate transfer of documents when a troubled student changes schools.

Literacy - Senate Republicans have made it a multi-year priority to improve literacy rates in Georgia. This year's budget includes over \$10 million for literacy coaches along with evidence-based reading instruction aligning with the science of reading.

Women's Sports - I was proud to support the unequivocal effort to protect girls' sports. Senate Bill 1 bans biological males from participating in women's sports across Georgia- middle school, high school, and college.

Balanced Budget

In Georgia we balance our budget every year and are considered one of the most fiscally responsible states in the nation. When left leaning states have record deficits and declining revenues, Georgia thrives with a record surplus. Once again, we are returning money to taxpayers next month with a \$250 per person, \$500 per married couple income tax rebate!



Senator Albers recognizing Firefighter Day at the Capitol.

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