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Minutes of the Senate Committee on Economic Development and Tourism
Monday, January 24, 2022

The Senate Committee on Economic Development and Tourism met on Monday, January 24, 2022 at 8:00 a.m. in Room 307 of the CLOB. The following Committee Members were in attendance:

Sen. Bruce Thompson (14th), Chairman
Sen. Brandon Beach (21st)
Sen. Kim Jackson (41st) (Ex-Officio)
Sen. Donzella James (35th)
Sen. Jeff Mullis (53rd)
Sen. Chuck Payne (54th) (Ex-Officio)
Sen. Sheikh Rahman (5th)
Sen. Carden Summers (13th)

NOTE: Sen. Matt Brass (28th), Vice-Chairman, Sen. Emanuel Jones (10th), Secretary, Sen. Lee Anderson (24th), Sen. Tonya Anderson (43rd), Sen. Frank Ginn (47th), Sen. Harold Jones II (22nd), and Sen. Horacena Tate (38th) were absent.

NOTE: Sen. Kim Jackson (41st) and Sen. Chuck Payne (54th) were appointed to the Senate Committee on Economic Development and Tourism as Ex-Officio members by the Committee on Assignments for the meeting held on January 24, 2022. Copies of the letters of appointment are attached.

Chairman Thompson (14th) called the meeting to order at 8:20 a.m.

The proposed committee rules were reviewed. The Chair recognized Sen. Summers (13th) who made a motion to adopt the rules. Sen. Beach (21st) seconded the motion. The rules of the Committee were adopted and appear on the following page.

HB 342 (Rep. Washburn, 141st, LC 36 4600) Professions and businesses; certain advertisements related to plumbing; prohibit

The Chair recognized Rep. Dale Washburn (141st) for the purpose of presenting the bill. Rep. Washburn (141st) presented the bill to the Committee.

The Chair opened the floor for debate.

The Chair recognized Sen. Mullis (53rd) who made a motion that **HB 342 Do Pass by Substitute.** Sen. Summers (13th) seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously.

Committee Recommendation: HB 342 DO PASS BY SUBSTITUTE (LC 50 0307S)

Chairman Thompson (14th) adjourned the meeting at 8:26 a.m.

Respectfully submitted,

/s/ Sen. Bruce Thompson (14th), Chairman

/s/ Jenna Does, Recording Secretary

SENATE COMMITTEE ON ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT AND TOURISM
2021 – 2022 RULES

1. A quorum for the Committee shall be seven (7) members.

2. The Chair shall determine bills and resolutions to be considered and the order in which such are called. The Chair also has the discretion as to which amendments to accept and as to their germaneness.

3. A bill, resolution, or other matter will be considered only after presentation by the principal author or a legislator whom he/she may designate. In the event more than one member of the Georgia General Assembly has signed a measure, the principal author shall be the one whose name appears first in the list of authors.

4. The Committee shall convene, recess, and adjourn upon the order of the Chair.

5. The Rules of the Senate shall prevail in all matters not covered by Committee meeting.

6. These Rules may be amended upon motion duly made and subsequently approved by three-fourths of the Committee, provided that written notice has been given 48 hours prior to the Committee meeting.

7. Any member(s) of the Committee who disagree(s) with the majority of the Committee shall have the privilege to file a minority report.

8. The Chair shall have the authority to refer bills and resolutions to Subcommittees for study. Such Subcommittees shall have the authority to make recommendations to the full Committee; but no measure will be returned to the full Senate, except after consideration by the full Committee.

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January 24, 2022

Mr. David Cook
Secretary of the Senate
353 State Capitol
Atlanta, GA 30334

Dear Mr. Cook,

In accordance with the Senate Rules, I hereby appoint **Senator Kim Jackson** to serve as an **Ex-Officio** for the Senate Economic Development and Tourism Committee on **January 24, 2022.**

Sincerely,

Geoff Duncan
Lieutenant Governor

cc: Senator Bruce Thompson, Chairman

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January 24, 2022

Mr. David Cook
Secretary of the Senate
353 State Capitol
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Dear Mr. Cook,

In accordance with the Senate Rules, I hereby appoint **Senator Chuck Payne** to serve as an **Ex-Officio** for the Senate Economic Development and Tourism Committee on **January 24, 2022.**

Sincerely,

Geoff Duncan
Lieutenant Governor

cc: Senator Bruce Thompson, Chairman

Minutes of the Senate Committee on Economic Development and Tourism
Wednesday, February 16, 2022

The Senate Committee on Economic Development and Tourism met on Wednesday, February 16, 2022 at 10:00 a.m. in Room 450 of the State Capitol. The following Committee Members were in attendance:

Sen. Bruce Thompson (14th), Chairman
Sen. Matt Brass (28th), Vice-Chairman
Sen. Emanuel Jones (10th), Secretary
Sen. Lee Anderson (24th) (Ex-Officio) *(Left Early)*
Sen. Tonya Anderson (43rd) *(Arrived Late)*
Sen. Brandon Beach (21st)
Sen. Frank Ginn (47th)
Sen. Donzella James (35th) *(Arrived Late)*
Sen. Carden Summers (13th)
Sen. Horacena Tate (38th) *(Arrived Late)*

NOTE: Sen. Harold Jones II (22nd), Sen. Jeff Mullis (53rd), and Sen. Sheikh Rahman (5th) were absent.

Chairman Thompson (14th) called the meeting to order at 10:01 a.m.

SB 379 (Sen. Strickland, 17th, LC 43 2198) State Board of the Technical College System of Georgia; establish a program to promote the creation and expansion of registered apprenticeship programs in the state; provide

The Chair stated that SB 379 would receive a hearing only.

NOTE: Sen. Tate (38th) arrived at 10:06 a.m.

The Chair recognized Sen. Brian Strickland (17th) for the purpose of presenting the bill. Sen. Strickland (17th) presented the bill to the Committee.

NOTE: Sen. James (35th) and Sen. Anderson (43rd) arrived at 10:20 a.m.
NOTE: Sen. Anderson (24th) left at 10:28 a.m.

The Chair opened the floor for comments. He recognized the following:

Testimony in favor of the Bill:
Mattias Hoffman, German American Chamber of Commerce (GA CATT program)
David Keller, GA CATT Program
Mark Whitlock, GA CATT Program
Mark Woodall, Associated General Contractors
Chris Erwin, House Representative (28th)
Shane McClellon, Carol Daniels Construction

Roy Bowen, Ga Association of Manufacturers

Testimony in opposition to the Bill:
None.

Committee Recommendation: SB 379 (LC 43 2198) No action was taken.

Chairman Thompson (14th) adjourned the meeting at 10:45 a.m.

Respectfully submitted,

/s/ Sen. Emanuel Jones (10th), Secretary

/s/ Jenna Does, Recording Secretary

Minutes of the Senate Committee on Economic Development and Tourism
Wednesday, February 23, 2022

The Senate Committee on Economic Development and Tourism met on Wednesday, February 23, 2022 at 10:00 a.m. in Room 450 of the State Capitol. The following Committee Members were in attendance:

Sen. Bruce Thompson (14th), Chairman
Sen. Lee Anderson (24th) (Ex-Officio)
Sen. Brandon Beach (21st)
Sen. Frank Ginn (47th)
Sen. Donzella James (35th)
Sen. Jeff Mullis (53rd)
Sen. Sheikh Rahman (5th) *(Arrived Late)*
Sen. Carden Summers (13th)
Sen. Horacena Tate (38th)

NOTE: Sen. Matt Brass (28th), Vice-Chairman, Sen. Emanuel Jones (10th), Secretary, Sen. Tonya Anderson (43rd), and Sen. Harold Jones II (22nd) were absent.

Chairman Thompson (14th) called the meeting to order at 10:05 a.m.

The Chair recognized Executive Director, Debra Lam, for the purpose of presenting the Partnership for Inclusive Innovation (PIN) Presentation.

The Chair opened the floor for comments.

NOTE: Sen. Rahman (5th) arrived at 10:30 a.m.

Testimony from Public:
Morgan Davis, Partnership for Inclusive Innovation

Chairman Thompson (14th) adjourned the meeting at 10:42 a.m.

Respectfully submitted,

/s/ Sen. Bruce Thompson (14th), Chairman

/s/ Jenna Does, Recording Secretary

Minutes of the Senate Committee on Economic Development and Tourism
Wednesday, March 2, 2022

The Senate Committee on Economic Development and Tourism met on Wednesday, March 2, 2022 at 10:00 a.m. in Room 307 of the CLOB. The following Committee Members were in attendance:

Sen. Bruce Thompson (14th), Chairman
Sen. Emanuel Jones (10th), Secretary
Sen. Lee Anderson (24th) (Ex-Officio)
Sen. Tonya Anderson (43rd) *(Arrived Late)*
Sen. Brandon Beach (21st)
Sen. Frank Ginn (47th)
Sen. Donzella James (35th) *(Arrived Late)*
Sen. Harold Jones II (22nd) *(Arrived Late)*
Sen. Sheikh Rahman (5th)
Sen. Carden Summers (13th) *(Arrived Late)*
Sen. Horacena Tate (38th)

NOTE: Sen. Matt Brass (28th), Vice-Chairman, and Sen. Jeff Mullis (53rd) were absent.

Chairman Thompson (14th) called the meeting to order at 10:01 a.m.

NOTE: Sen. Anderson (43rd) and Sen. Summers (13th) arrived at 10:04 a.m.

SB 379 (Sen. Strickland, 17th, LC 43 2198) State Board of the Technical College System of Georgia; establish a program to promote the creation and expansion of registered apprenticeship programs in the state; provide

NOTE: Sen. James (35th) arrived at 10:07 a.m.

The Chair recognized Sen. Strickland (17th) for the purpose of presenting the bill. Sen. Strickland (17th) presented the bill to the Committee.

The Chair opened the floor for debate.

The Chair recognized Sen. Beach (21st) who made a motion that **SB 379 Do Pass by Substitute (LC 43 2317S).** Sen. Emanuel Jones (10th) seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously.

Committee Recommendation: SB 379 DO PASS BY SIBSTITUTE (LC 43 2317S)

The Chair recognized the Director of Palo Alto Networks, Tom MacLellan, for the purpose of presenting the Cybersecurity for Policymakers Presentation.

NOTE: Sen. Jones II (22nd) arrived at 10:14 a.m.

The Chair opened the floor for comments.

Chairman Thompson (14th) adjourned the meeting at 10:45 a.m.

Respectfully submitted,

/s/ Sen. Emanuel Jones (10th), Secretary

/s/ Jenna Does, Recording Secretary

Minutes of the Senate Committee on Economic Development and Tourism
Thursday, March 24, 2022

The Senate Committee on Economic Development and Tourism met on Thursday, March 24, 2022 at 3:00 p.m. in Room 310 of the CLOB. The following Committee Members were in attendance:

Sen. Bruce Thompson (14th), Chairman
Sen. Matt Brass (28th), Vice-Chairman *(Left Early)*
Sen. Lee Anderson (24th) (Ex-Officio) *(Left Early)*
Sen. Tonya Anderson (43rd)
Sen. Brandon Beach (21st)
Sen. Frank Ginn (47th) *(Arrived Late)*
Sen. Sheikh Rahman (5th)
Sen. Carden Summers (13th)
Sen. Horacena Tate (38th)

NOTE: Sen. Emanuel Jones (10th), Secretary, Sen. Donzella James (35th), Sen. Harold Jones II (22nd), and Sen. Jeff Mullis (53rd) were absent.

Chairman Thompson (14th) called the meeting to order at 3:03 p.m.

HB 1044 (Rep. Pirkle, 155th, LC 50 0325S) Local government; creation of regional development authorities; provide

The Chair recognized Rep. Clay Pirkle (155th) for the purpose of presenting the bill. Rep. Pirkle (155th) presented the bill to the Committee.

NOTE: Sen. Ginn (47th) arrived at 3:03 p.m.

The Chair opened the floor for debate.

The Chair recognized Sen. Beach (21st) who made a motion that **HB 1044 Do Pass (LC 50 0325S)**. Sen. Ginn (47th) seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously.

Committee Recommendation: HB 1044 DO PASS (LC 50 0325S)

HB 1516 (Rep. Gaines, 117th, LC 50 0372) Georgia Music Hall of Fame Authority; provide for definitions; provisions

The Chair recognized Rep. Houston Gaines (117th) for the purpose of presenting the bill. Rep. Gaines (117th) presented the bill to the Committee.

NOTE: Sen. Brass (28th) left at 3:16 p.m.
NOTE: Sen. Anderson (24th) and Sen. Ginn (47th) left at 3:17 p.m.

NOTE: Sen. Ginn (47th) returned at 3:18 p.m.

The Chair opened the floor for debate.

The Chair recognized Sen. Summers (13th) who made a motion that **HB 1516 Do Pass (LC 50 0372)**. Sen. Anderson (43rd) seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously.

Committee Recommendation: HB 1516 DO PASS (LC 50 0372)

Chairman Thompson (14th) adjourned the meeting at 3:21 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

/s/ Sen. Bruce Thompson (14th), Chairman

/s/ Jenna Does, Recording Secretary