

Chatham County Conservative Coalition

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VIA Electronically Email

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cc: The Honorable Governor Brian P. Kemp
The Honorable Lt. Governor William Burton Jones
The Honorable Speaker Jon Burns
Secretary of State Brad Raffensperger
Insurance Commissioner John King

Re: Georgia Legislation We Approve & Disapprove 2023 -2024 Legislative Session

Dear Elected Officials:

We, the members of Republican/Conservative Clubs in Chatham County, respectfully request your assistance to support and take action on the issues and proposed legislation listed below.

Education:

- **Support School Choice** - Money follows the child - Sample Bill - AZ Bill HB 2853
- **Disapprove** - CRT & Common Core allowed in the Curriculum to be taught in our Public Schools.
 - If taught, the school will be penalized financially
 - Revisit proposed ELA standards by Gov. Kems education Policy team and model after Florida
 - [Common Core Repeal: Ron DeSantis's Lessons for Brian Kemp | National Review](#)
- **Support** - Parental Bill of Rights – Sample bill – FL Bill 1557
- **Support** - No drag queen shows allowed in public schools or facilities for children under the age of 18.
- **Support** – Closing the obscenity exemption loophole for Georgia school libraries
- **Support Amending** – (Formerly SB 220) - GA Civics Renewal Act – No third-party organizations allowed to bring Active Civics in the Public Classroom. No political agenda brought into GA Public Schools.

Voter Integrity:

- **Support** (formerly - SB 325) – Bans all drop boxes – [Georgia General Assembly - SB 325 \(ga.gov\)](#)
- **Support** (formerly - SB 69) – Ends automatic voter registration - <https://www.legis.ga.gov/legislation/59221>

- **Support** (formerly SB 70) – Prohibits new Georgia residents from voting in runoffs - [Georgia General Assembly - SB 70 \(ga.gov\)](#)
- **Support** (formerly - SB 72) – Purge Voter Rolls every 30 days - <https://www.legis.ga.gov/legislation/59222>
- **Support - No employees or outside groups allowed to handle ballots in Nursing Homes**
 - We would like to add to this legislation - Require State to enter into agreements with other states to compare voter registration lists and Mandatory regular review & scrubbing of voter list (quarterly-deaths, moving out of state). Require every County Coroner to send list of deceased voters to the Georgia Secretary of State and County Chief Registrar to be purged from the data base monthly.
- **Support** – (formerly - HB 1317) - Elections; absentee ballot drop boxes; remove provisions - [Georgia General Assembly - HB 1317 \(ga.gov\)](#)
- **Support** legislation that does NOT allow No Rank Voting in Georgia Elections or Runoffs
- **Support** eliminate No Excuse Absentee Voting and Ballots
- **Support** reviewing State contract with Dominion and consider changes to current voting machine system. Place a ban on foreign-owned businesses selling vote-counting software to State and a ban on any foreign owned entities having custody of any State ballot data
 - **Support Paper Ballots or going back to previous voting machines**
- **Disapprove** - of any legislation allowing same day voter registration
- **Disapprove** - any effort to eliminate the Electoral College. Any state compact to manipulate or alter the Electoral College requires congressional assent. Such a compact should not be approved, and any constitutional amendment to scrap the Electoral College should be rejected.
- **Support - Counting Ballots:**
 - Supervised ballot voting in nursing homes by Board of Election staff and have Party Observers Present.
 - Strengthen protections for observing both voting and vote tabulation, ALL vote counts must be observed by representatives from both parties
 - Require that ballot counting, once begun, continue until complete-no delays or pauses and no reporting on votes casted until all votes in Georgia have been fully reported by all 159 Counties.

Other legislation We Approve and Disapprove:

- **Support** – The GA Fair Tax Act (Formerly HB 1459) – Abolish GA Income Tax and replace with a consumption sales tax - [Georgia General Assembly - HB 1459 \(ga.gov\)](#)
- **Support- (formerly - HB 228)** - Driver's License or ID to clearly indicate that a Foreign National/non-citizen "Bearer Not a US Citizen" across the front of driver's license. - [Georgia General Assembly - HB 228 \(ga.gov\)](#)
- **Support: (formerly - HB 135)** – Delivering prompt death records to funeral directors (72 Hours) [Georgia General Assembly - HB 135 \(ga.gov\)](#)
- **Support: (formerly - SB 456)** - Health; requirements relating to the use of abortion-inducing drugs [Georgia General Assembly - SB 456 \(ga.gov\)](#)
- **Support** – Eliminating the deductible applied first to replace windshields. (FL/SC/KY are "\$0" deductible States)
 - Make GA a non-deductible state (free windshield replacement). A safety issue and too costly to replace with paying deductible first. Standard deduction on most Georgians auto policies is \$500.00.
- **Support** - Second Amendment Preservation Act
- **Support** – Anti-Red Flag legislation that would ban Georgia from accepting any federal money in exchange for passing gun control measures
- **Disapprove** – SB 57 – [Georgia General Assembly - SB 57 \(ga.gov\)](#) -Legalizing sports betting and horseracing. Also any and all legislation relating to legalizing gambling in Georgia, including the constitutional amendment to be placed on the ballot for sports betting, horseracing and Casinos.

Other local Board of Elections legislation in Chatham County:

- Consolidate the Board of Elections and the Board of Registrars
 - Chatham county is only one of two counties out of the 159 counties in the State of Georgia that have a separate Board of Elections and Board of Registrars. This has been a complete failure and disaster over the past several elections and needs to be rectified immediately.
- Required to have background check on local candidates qualifying for office
- Mandate Law enforcement presence at ALL voting locations

Georgia Resolutions Requested:

- Resolution that the State of Georgia fully supports the Electoral College as prescribed and outlined in our Constitution.
- Resolution declaring that Georgia is a 2nd Amendment Sanctuary State.

Federal Legislation:


- **Support**- U.S. Rep. Buddy Carter 2023 re-introduction of H.R. 25, the Fair Tax Act to replace the current tax code with a national consumption tax known as the Fair Tax.
 - Which replaces Federal Income Tax, and abolishes all payroll taxes (Revenue Neutral).
- **Support** - U.S. House 2023 Resolution that condemns attacks on pro-life facilities and churches.

Thank you all for your Public Service for all Georgians'. We know it is not an easy task to have us all agree, but the legislation above is very important to all of us.

We all plan a visit our State Capitol this session to meet with all to further discuss, these very important issues in February.

We look forward to hearing back from our leaders in regards to this letter.

Sincerely yours,



Patrice Cole – President

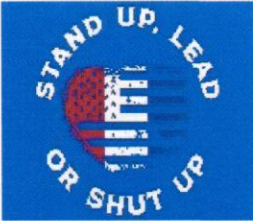


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