

# NEWSLETTER

The official newsletter of Georgia's  
13th Lt. Governor Burt Jones



## Fiscal Year 2025 Budget Signed

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On May 7, 2024, Governor Brian Kemp signed the Fiscal Year 2025 Budget into law. Lt. Governor Burt Jones joined the Governor and Speaker Burns for the signing of this historic **\$36.1** billion budget.

*“The FY25 budget makes crucial investments in our state’s public safety, infrastructure, healthcare, and educational needs,”* said Lieutenant Governor Burt Jones. *“Thanks to fiscally conservative leadership, our state is in prime financial footing to further develop our state and keep Georgia’s economy thriving. I want to thank Governor Kemp, Speaker Burns, and Chairmen Tillery and Hatchett for their work in crafting this year’s budget.”*

#### Some of the highlights of the Fiscal Year 2025 budget include:

- Over **\$6M** to stabilize the statewide trauma network.
- **\$6M** for literacy coaches and initiatives throughout the state.
- **\$3,000** additional pay increase for law enforcement to be added on top of the approved 4% raise.
- Over **\$1M** for a Sickle Cell Management pilot program to assist with an underserved population in Atlanta.
- Over **\$16M** for the provider rate increase for Georgia Pediatric Program (GAPP).

Governor Brian Kemp issued 12 disregard statements for the Fiscal Year 2025 Budget. For additional information, please visit the website [here](#).



# 2024 Signed and Vetoed legislation Overview

The deadline for Governor Brian Kemp to sign or veto legislation passed during the 2024 Legislative Session was May 7, 2024. After the deadline, **32** of the Lt. Governor’s Priorities were signed into law. Some of these went into effect immediately or will go into effect on July 1, 2024.

For a full list of the **Lt. Governor’s Priorities** for the 2024 Legislative Session, please visit the website [here](#) or scan the QR Code.

For a full list of bills **signed** by Governor Kemp, please visit the website [here](#) or scan the QR code.



Lt. Governor 2024 Priorities



Governor Signed Bills

Governor Brian Kemp issued **12 veto statements**. Please visit the website [here](#) or scan the QR code to review the veto statements.

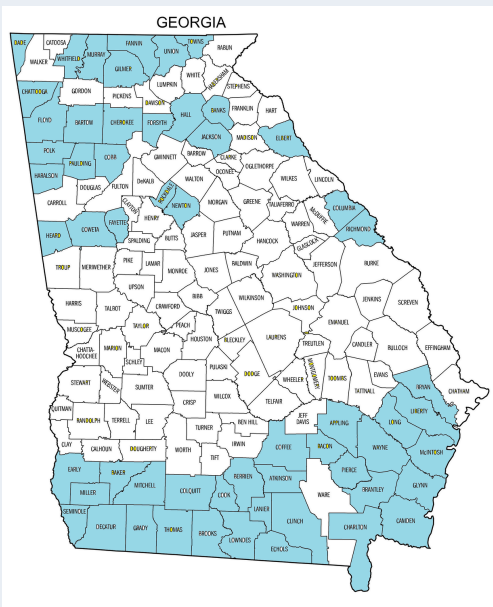


Governor Veto Statements

## 2024 Mobile Office Hours

Each Field Representative will hold weekly mobile office hours throughout their assigned regions and will respond to constituent requests and questions. Community members will be able to contact their designated representative for event and meeting attendance.

Please visit this [dedicated page](#) for contact information for each representative, Georgia’s map detailing each region, and a constituent contact form. This page will be updated with future meetings, town halls, and other events held in each region throughout the year.



**Field Reps visited 57 counties as of May 16, with over 10 office hours planned for next month.**



**Senator Matt Brass**  
Luke Hetland, Field Representative



**T.J. Hudson, Field Representative**  
Community Event/Proclamation

## Events Around the State

- On April 19, 2024, Lt. Governor Burt Jones attended the groundbreaking of the University of Georgia's Medical School Building. The Lt. Governor Issued the following statement on this historic announcement:

*“Georgia desperately needs an increase in medical providers and workforce throughout. With today’s groundbreaking, we can begin to take the necessary steps to increase the number of medical professionals and provide high quality and accessible healthcare to all Georgians. I want to thank Governor Kemp, Chancellor Perdue, and President Morehead for their leadership on this issue to help increase educational opportunities for those wishing to serve as a medical provider in Georgia.”*



**Groundbreaking Special Guests**



**Chancellor Perdue, LG Jones, Governor Kemp**

- Lt. Governor Burt Jones has traveled the state with Governor Brian Kemp, Speaker Burns and members of the Georgia General Assembly for several bill signings before the May 7, 2024 deadline.



**Senators Dixon, Kennedy and Robertson with LG Jones @ Public Safety Bill Signing Ceremony**



**Senators S. Watson, Anavitarte and Goodman with LG Jones and AG Comm. Harper @ AG Bill Signing Ceremony**

- Lt. Governor Burt Jones and staff attended events and tours around the state to provide updates on the 2024 Legislative Session and to learn more about constituent issues around the state.



**Ms. Denese Sampson  
Tour of Boys and Girls Club**



**Public Safety Memorial Ceremony**



**2024 Interns with  
Georgia Supreme Court  
Chief Justice Boggs and  
Judge Stephen Dillard**