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Update: Senate Special Committee on Eliminating Georgia's Income Tax

On **August 19**, **2025**, Lieutenant Governor Burt Jones provided remarks at the first meeting of the Georgia Senate Special Committee on Eliminating Georgia's Income Tax and welcomed the committee members.

"In recent years, we have saved Georgians over \$6 billion in tax rebates, gas tax suspensions, and the largest income tax cut in state history. But we must go further. We must seize this opportunity to lead the South, not trail behind it. The days of government picking winners and losers are over, and I believe it is time for us to focus on eliminating Georgia's income tax. I created this committee to raise up all Georgians. I believe that Georgians know how to spend their own money better than the government does, I hope my colleagues agree. I look forward to reviewing the committee's findings and recommendations."

Remarks by Lt. Gov. Jones can be found HERE.

The Georgia Senate Special Committee will continue meeting over the summer, and additional information can be found **HERE**.

The livestream for the meeting on August 19 can be found HERE.

For additional information on the Georgia Senate Special Committee on Eliminating Georgia's Income Tax, please click <u>HERE</u>.



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DeKalb and Fulton Constituent Services Day: August 26, 2025

On **Tuesday**, **August 26**, Lieutenant Governor Burt Jones hosted mobile office hours for constituents in DeKalb and Fulton Counties. Lt. Governor Jones shared the following message to those in attendance and everyone who participated:

"Thank you to all of the legislative members, county and city officials, state agencies and others who attended the event and made it a success. The event would not be possible without your support, and we are thankful for your continued partnership to help our constituents. I want to thank everyone who donated books for our 3rd book drive. I am proud that once again, we are going to donate over 5,000 books to the Georgia Council on Literacy. Last but not least, thank you to Grady Health System, a true community partner, for offering free health screenings. We are grateful for all you do for the community here in Atlanta and across the state. We look forward to the next event. Thanks everyone; we couldn't do it without you!" - Lieutenant Governor Burt Jones

Members of the DeKalb and Fulton County Legislative Delegations, City of Atlanta, DeKalb and Fulton County Representatives, Fulton County Commission Representatives, DeKalb County CEO's Office and several state agencies attended the event. State agencies staffed tables for constituent questions and requests.

Thank you to the following agencies for attending:

Department of Community Health - Georgia Pathways/Peach Care for Kids

Department of Revenue

Department of Driver Services

Department of Labor

Georgia Public Library Service

Georgia Student Finance Commission

Governor's Office of Student Achievement (GOSA)

State Board of Pardons and Paroles

Georgia Department of Veterans Service

Georgia Council on Aging

Georgia Council on Literacy



Grady Hospital, a community partner, provided a variety of free health checks for constituents. Nurses from Grady were in attendance to answer questions and share information about Grady Hospital and the services they provide in Atlanta and all of Georgia.

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Field Reps visited 130 counties as of August 28 with over 15 office hours planned for next month.

2025 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 <u>dedicated page</u> 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.

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T.J. Hudson, Field Representative with Upson County Judge Gibson

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Events Around the State

• Lt. Governor Burt Jones and staff members traveled around the state to meet with constituents, hear about their concerns, and also present proclamations to outstanding organizations and Georgia citizens who are making a difference from the north Georgia mountains to the coast.



Lt. Governor Burt Jones delivering the keynote address at the Georgia Sheriffs' Association Annual Meeting



Lt. Governor Burt Jones and Mrs. Jones met with Marcus Autism Center/CHOA leaders and staff while touring the facility



Lt. Governor Burt Jones attending the Block's Proto Ribbon Cutting Ceremony at Core Scientific's Dalton



Lt. Governor Burt Jones attended the Georgia Congressional Luncheon 2025 with leaders and business owners from around Georgia



Ines Owens, Policy and Communications Director, meeting and tour with Phoebe Putney Memorial Hospital and Morehouse School of Medicine leadership and staff



Brad Vaughan, Legislative Director and Counsel, provided remarks at the Georgia Legislative Leadership Institute