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**TOMORROW'S FORECAST**

\* The House will reconvene for its 10th Legislative Day on Tuesday, February 2, at 10:00 AM.  
\* 5 bills are expected to be debated on the floor.



**GEORGIA HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES**

**DAILY REPORT**



Monday, February 01, 2010

9th Legislative Day

**TODAY ON THE FLOOR**

**RULES CALENDAR**

**HB 651 - Sexual offenders; information to schools on accessing registry; revise certain provisions**

- BILL SUMMARY: Under the current provision, the Department of Education obtains a complete list of names and addresses of registered sex offenders and then sends that list to each school within the state. This currently costs the State over \$7,000 to burn the CDs and mail them. This does not include time spent by employees to prepare the information.

With this bill, the Department of Education will provide access to that information when requested by schools. An example would be through a website or by other electronic means.

- **Authored By:** Rep. Amy Carter of the 175th
- **House Committee:** Judiciary Non-Civil
- **Rule:** Open
- **Yeas:** 166; **Nays:** 0

**HB 926 - Obligations of a bank; certain renewals or restructuring of loans; exempt**

- BILL SUMMARY: This bill adds language that will allow the Department of Banking and Finance to renew performing loans from state chartered banks.

- **Authored By:** Rep. James Mills of the 25th
- **House Committee:** Banks & Banking
- **Rule:** Modified-Open
- **Yeas:** 165; **Nays:** 1

*\* The House will reconvene Tuesday, February 2, at 10:00 AM, for its 10th Legislative Day*

# COMMITTEE ON RULES

The Committee on Rules has fixed the calendar for the 10th Legislative Day, Tuesday, February 2, and bills may be called at the pleasure of the Speaker.

## TOMORROW ON THE FLOOR

### **HB 219 - Antifreeze; include aversive agent to render it unpalatable; provisions**

- BILL SUMMARY: HB 219 requires that antifreeze sold in the state must include a bittering additive. The purpose of the bill is to prevent ingestion by animals and people, which can result in injuries and deaths from poisoning. A chemical commonly found in antifreeze is toxic, and antifreeze has a sweet smell and taste. The bittering additive, denatonium benzoate, makes antifreeze unpalatable to both humans and animals. This same chemical is commonly added by manufacturers of household products to prevent ingestion. The bill includes limitation of liability for individuals or entities that sell or manufacture antifreeze, but include the additive as required by law. The bill gives a two year grace period, allowing manufacturers and retailers until July 1, 2011 to become compliant.

- **Authored By:** Rep. Tommy Benton of the 31st

- **House Committee:** Judiciary Non-Civil

- **House Committee Passed:** 1/25/2010

- **Rule:** Open

### **HB 905 - Quality Basic Education Act; capital outlay funds; provisions**

- BILL SUMMARY: House Bill 905 is a bill relating to the "Quality Basic Education Act" and to extend a sunset date of June 30th 2015 for the advance funding, exceptional growth and low wealth capital outlay grants.

- **Authored By:** Rep. Tom Dickson of the 6th

- **House Committee:** Education

- **House Committee Passed:** 1/14/2010

- **Rule:** Modified-Structured

### **HB 906 - Elementary and secondary education; annual contracts; temporarily extend deadlines**

- BILL SUMMARY: This bill is meant to temporarily extend the deadlines for schools to issue contract or letters of intent for certified personnel in elementary and secondary education for renewing their annual contracts. For the years 2010-2011, 2011-2012 and 2012-2013 the local governing board shall have till May 15th of the current school year.

- **Authored By:** Rep. Jay Neal of the 1st

- **House Committee:** Education

- **House Committee Passed:** 1/14/2010

- **Rule:** Modified-Structured

### **HB 907 - Quality Basic Education Act; organization of schools, programs, and scheduling; revise certain provisions**

- BILL SUMMARY: House Bill 907 is a bill relating to the "Quality Basic Education Act" and revising certain provisions of the middle school program. This bill will make it possible for middle school systems to receive money with any combination of grade levels for the housing of students. In current law, the school could only receive funds if it housed the middle school grades six, seven and eight together. Now it is up to the local system to decide how to organize the housing of the students. This bill also takes a look at the education schedule for the students. The local school board is still required to provide a minimum of 5 hours instructional classes but does not have to include remedial courses for those students who are not performing on grade level.

- **Authored By:** Rep. David Casas of the 103rd

- **House Committee:** Education

- **House Committee Passed:** 1/14/2010

- **Rule:** Modified-Structured

### **HB 923 - Quality Basic Education Act; salary schedules for certificated personnel; revise provisions**

- BILL SUMMARY: House Bill 923 deals with certified personnel being placed on the state salary schedule based on their leadership degree but is not in a leadership position. This does not apply to an educator who possessed a leadership degree prior to July 1st 2013, as long as they were enrolled in an educator leadership preparation program on or before April 1st 2009.

- **Authored By:** Rep. Jay Neal of the 1st

- **House Committee:** Education

- **House Committee Passed:** 1/14/2010

- **Rule:** Modified-Structured

\* *The Rules Committee will next meet on Tuesday, February 2, at 9:00 AM, to set the Rules Calendar for the 11th Legislative Day.*

## **COMMITTEE ACTION REPORT**

NO committee legislative action was taken today.

\* *Bills passing committees are reported to the Clerk's Office, and are then placed on the General Calendar.*



## **COMMITTEE MEETING SCHEDULE**

### **Tuesday, February 02, 2010**

9:00 AM - 10:00 AM	<u>JUDICIARY NON-CIVIL</u>	132 CAP
12:00 PM - 2:00 PM	<u>Setzler Subcommittee of Judiciary Non-Civil</u>	132 CAP
1:00 PM - 4:00 PM	<u>Appropriations General Subcommittee</u>	341 CAP
1:30 PM - 2:00 PM	<u>HIGHER EDUCATION</u>	406 CLOB
2:00 PM - 3:00 PM	<u>CHILDREN &amp; YOUTH</u>	403 CAP
2:00 PM - 4:00 PM	<u>TRANSPORTATION</u>	506 CLOB
2:00 PM - 4:00 PM	<u>WAYS &amp; MEANS</u>	606 CLOB
3:00 PM - 4:00 PM	<u>INDUSTRIAL RELATIONS</u>	515 CLOB
3:00 PM - 5:00 PM	<u>Subcommittee Special Committee on Small Business Development</u>	605 CLOB
3:00 PM - 4:00 PM	<u>Sims Subcommittee of State Planning and Community Affairs</u>	514 CLOB

\* *This broadcast schedule is up to date at the time of this report, but meetings dates and times are subject to change. To keep up with the latest schedule please visit the General Assembly website [www.legis.ga.gov](http://www.legis.ga.gov) and click on House Meetings. To view the live stream of these meetings, please visit the Georgia Legislative Network.*