



# LEGISLATIVE UPDATE



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“Creating a More Educated Georgia”

## Membership of the Higher Education Committees

The membership of the House and Senate committees responsible for the state’s post-secondary education legislative activities, including the affairs of the University System of Georgia, are as follows:

### Senate Higher Education Committee

**Chair:** Harp, Seth; Midland  
**Vice Chair:** Cowsert, Bill; Athens  
**Secretary:** Staton, Cecil; Macon

#### Members:

Chance, Ronnie; Tyrone  
Davenport, Gail; Jonesboro  
Golden, Tim; Valdosta  
Orrock, Nan; Atlanta  
Thompson, Curt; Tucker  
Wiles, John; Marietta

### House Higher Education Committee

**Chair:** Hembree, Bill; Winston  
**Vice Chair:** Knight, David; Griffin  
**Secretary:** Cox, Clay; Lilburn

#### Members:

Carter, Amy; Valdosta  
Amerson, Amos; Dahlonega  
Ashe, Kathy; Atlanta  
Burns, Jon; Newington  
Cooper, Sharon; Marietta  
Dempsey, Katie; Rome  
Gardner, Pat; Atlanta  
Hatfield, Mark, Waycross  
Jackson, Lester; Savannah  
Murphy, Quincy; Augusta  
Sims, Chuck; Ambrose  
Smyre, Calvin; Columbus  
Walker, Len; Loganville

## Appropriations Higher Education Subcommittee Meets on Perdue’s USG Recommendations

Chancellor Erroll B. Davis Jr. appeared before the Higher Education Subcommittee of the House Appropriations Committee on Jan. 22 to further discuss Gov. Sonny Perdue’s Fiscal Year 2008 budget recommendations for the University System of Georgia.

Also last week, the Higher Education Subcommittee – which is chaired by Rep. Bob Smith – heard presentations on FY 2008 capital-outlay budget items from a number of other University System officials.

The presenters included Linda Daniels, vice chancellor for facilities; Mike Cassidy, president of the Georgia Research Alliance; and the presidents of *Fort Valley State University, Georgia College & State University, Georgia Gwinnett College, Georgia Tech, Kennesaw State University, Macon State College, North Georgia College & State University, the University of Georgia* and the *University of West Georgia*.

## Membership of the Appropriations Committees

The membership of the House and Senate committees responsible for writing the budget appropriating funding to the state’s various agencies is as follows:

### Senate Appropriations Committee

**Chair:** Hill, Jack; Reidsville  
**Vice Chair:** Goggans, Greg; Douglas  
**Secretary:** Golden, Tim; Valdosta

#### Members:

Balfour, Don; Snellville\*  
Bulloch, John; Ochlocknee  
Cowsert, Bill; Athens\*  
Fort, Vincent; Atlanta\*  
Grant, Johnny; Milledgeville

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## Appropriations Committees

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Hamrick, Bill; Carrollton\*  
Harp, Seth; Midland\*  
Heath, Bill; Bremen  
Henson, Steve; Tucker  
Hooks, George; Americus  
Johnson, Eric; Savannah  
Meyer von Bremen, Michael; Albany  
Moody, Dan; Alpharetta  
Mullis, Jeff; Chickamauga  
Murphy, Jack; Cumming  
Pearson, Chip; Dawsonville\*  
Schaefer, Nancy; Turnersville  
Seabaugh, Mitch; Sharpsburg  
Seay, Valencia; Riverdale  
Smith, Preston W.; Rome\*  
Staton, Cecil, Macon; ex-officio\*  
Tate, Horacena; Atlanta  
Thomas, Don; Dalton  
Thomas, Regina D.; Savannah  
Thompson, Steve; Marietta  
Tolleson, Ross; Perry  
Unterman, Renee S.; Buford  
Wiles, John J., Marietta; ex-officio\*  
Williams, Tommie; Lyons

\* *Members of the Appropriations Subcommittee on Higher Education, chaired by Sen. John Wiles.*

### House Appropriations Committee

Chair: Harbin, Ben; Evans

Vice Chairs:

Butler, Mark; Carrollton  
Channell, Mickey; Greensboro  
Heard, John; Lawrenceville  
Jones, Jan; Alpharetta  
Martin, Chuck; Alpharetta  
Parsons, Don; Marietta  
Rogers, Carl; Gainesville  
Smith, Bob; Watkinsville\*

Members:

Amerson, Amos; Dahlonega  
Barnard, Terry; Glennville  
Black, Ellis; Valdosta  
Burkhalter, Mark; Duluth  
Carter, Buddy; Pooler  
Chambers, Jill; Atlanta  
Cheokas, Mike; Americus\*  
Coan, Mike; Lawrenceville  
Crawford, Mack; Concord  
Day, Burke; Tybee Island  
Dollar, Matt; Marietta  
Ehrhart, Earl; Powder Springs\*

England, Terry; Auburn  
Fleming, Barry; Harlem\*  
Floyd, Johnny; Cordele\*  
Forster, Ron; Ringgold  
Gardner, Pat; Atlanta  
Golick, Rich; Smyrna  
Greene, Gerald; Cuthbert  
Hanner, Bob; Parrott  
Heard, Keith; Athens  
Hembree, Bill; Winston\*  
Hill, Calvin; Canton  
Holmes, Bob; Atlanta  
Houston, Penny; Nashville  
Hugley, Carolyn; Columbus  
James, Lynmore; Montezuma  
Jones, Sheila; Atlanta\*  
Keen, Jerry; St. Simons Island  
Knox, Tom; Cumming  
Lane, Bob; Statesboro\*  
Lewis, Jeff; White\*  
Lucas, David; Macon  
Lunsford, John; McDonough  
Manning, Judy; Marietta  
Maxwell, Howard; Dallas  
May, Jeff; Monroe  
Mills, James; Gainesville  
Morris, Greg; Vidalia  
Neal, Jay; LaFayette  
O'Neal, Larry, Bonaire; ex-officio\*  
Parham, Bobby; Milledgeville\*  
Parrish, Butch; Swainsboro  
Porter, DuBose; Dublin  
Powell, Alan; Hartwell  
Ralston, David, Blue Ridge  
Reese, Bobby; Sugar Hill  
Roberts, Jay; Ocilla  
Royal, Richard; Camilla\*  
Rynders, Ed; Albany  
Setzler, Ed; Acworth  
Shaw, Jay; Lakeland  
Sheldon, Donna; Dacula  
Sims, Chuck, Ambrose; ex-officio\*  
Smith, Lynn; Newnan  
Smith, Richard; Columbus  
Smith, Tommy; Nichols  
Smith, Vance; Pine Mountain  
Smyre, Calvin; Columbus  
Stephens, Ron; Savannah  
Walker, Len; Loganville  
Watson, Stan; Decatur  
Willard, Wendell; Atlanta  
Williams, Roger; Dalton  
Yates, John; Griffin\*

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