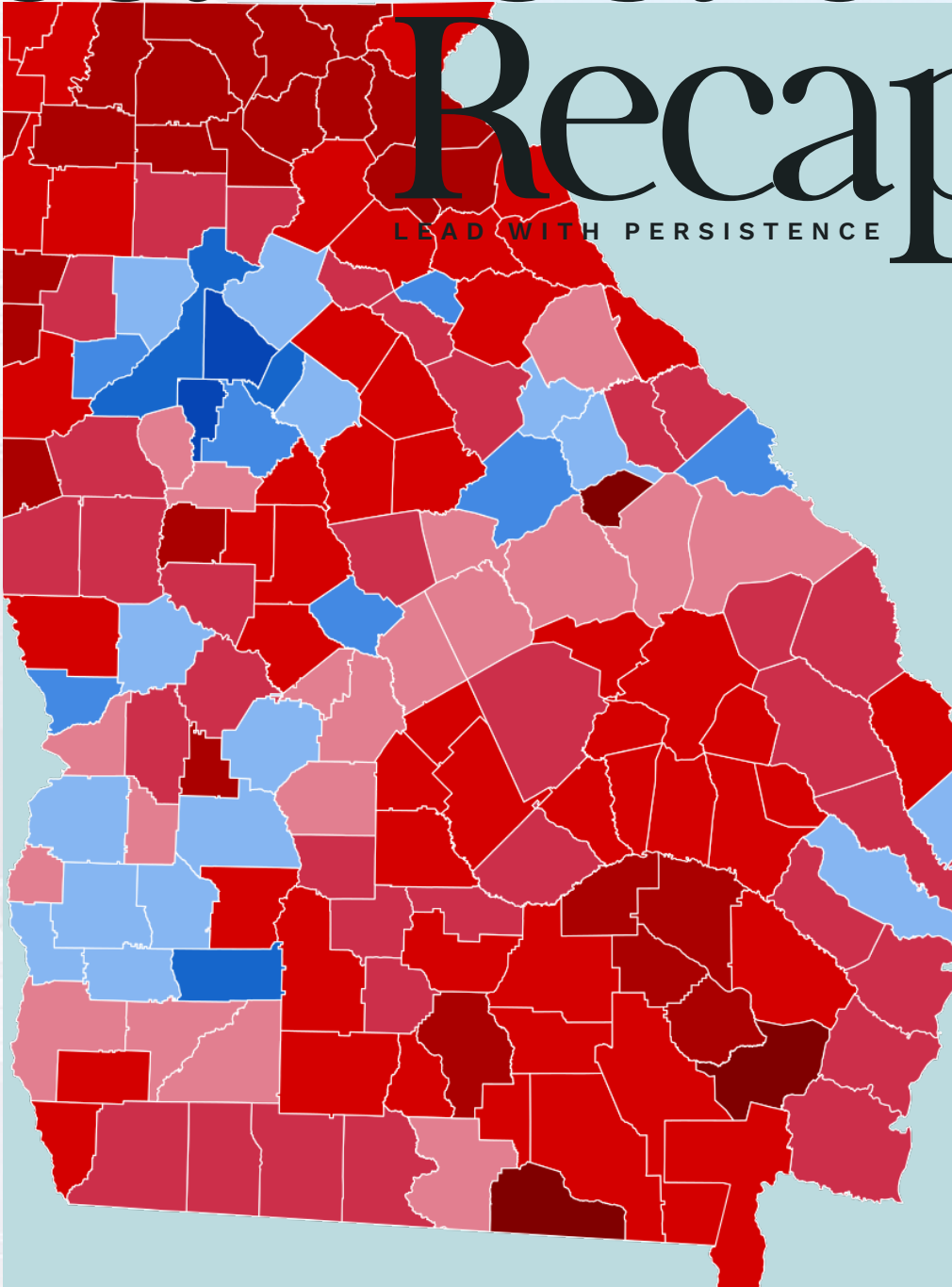


Post Election Recap

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Here's What You Need to Know

In 2025, Georgia's political landscape is charged with influential debates and strategic shifts in leadership. As lawmakers prepare to tackle pressing issues like tort reform and Medicaid expansion, both parties are poised to influence change and shape the state's future.



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Fresh Faces

in the Georgia Legislature

The Georgia legislature is gearing up for an exciting session, welcoming a wave of fresh faces after the November general election. ***The Republican Party maintains its majority in both the House and Senate, with a 100-80 hold in the House and a 33-23 control in the Senate.*** This steady leadership sets the stage for potential shifts and opportunities as new members bring their energy and perspectives to the table. Stay tuned as these “new kids on the block” dive into the challenges and debates awaiting them in the chambers. Georgia’s political landscape dynamics are always evolving—let’s see how these new voices contribute to the conversation.



Anissa Jones (D-Macon) HD 143



Bryce Berry (D-Atlanta) HD 56

- Kenya Wicks (D-Fayette) SD 34**
- Rashaun Kemp (D-Atlanta) SD 38**
- Randal Mangham (D-DeKalb County) SD 55**
- Gabriel Sanchez (D-Cobb County) HD 42**
- Bryce Berry (D-Atlanta) HD 56**
- Mekyah McQueen (D Smyrna) HD 61**
- Sylvia Wayfer Baker (D Douglas County) HD 64**
- Robert Dawson (D-Atlanta) HD 65**
- Arlene Beckles (D-Gwinnett County) HD 96**
- Tangie Herring (D-Macon) HD 145**
- Anissa Jones (D-Macon) HD 143**
- Floyd Griffin (D-Macon) HD 149**
- LC Myles (D-Augusta) HD 126**



Drew Echols (R-Hall County) SD 49

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- Justin Howard (R Carroll County) HD 71**
- Noelle Kahaian (R-Henry County) HD 81**
- Sandy Donatucci (R-Gwinnett) HD 105**
- Robert Clifton (R-Columbia County) HD 131**
- Angie OSteen (R-Irwin) HD 169**
- Jaclyn Dixon Ford (R-Alapaha) HD 170**

Leadership Change-Up in the Senate

The Senate has unveiled its new leadership team, promising a dynamic start to the upcoming session. Senate Democrats gathered in Savannah, GA on November 8 to determine their leadership for the session ahead, signaling a period of preparation and strategic planning. It's a time of change and anticipation as both sides gear up to make their mark in the forthcoming legislative period.

Meanwhile, Sen. Harold Jones from Augusta steps up as the minority leader, bringing his experience and vision to the forefront. Sen. Elena Parent will be the minority caucus chair, while in a new role, Sen. Kim Jackson will serve as the whip. In the support roles, Sen. Sonya Halpern has been named vice caucus chairman, tasked with fostering collaboration and strategy, and Sen. Jason Esteves will handle the crucial role of Vice Chair of Finance.

Stay tuned for what promises to be an engaging session!

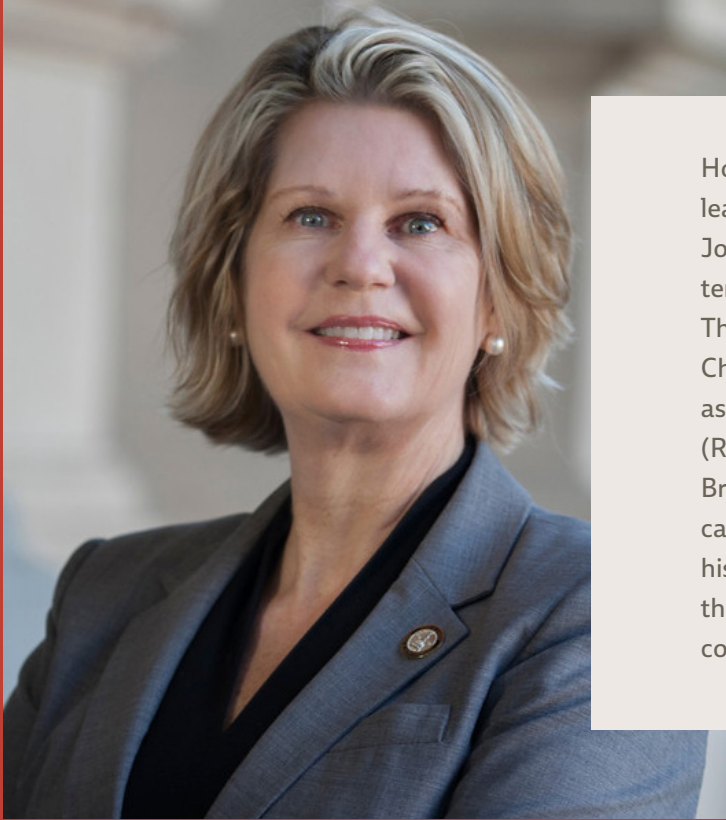


Kim Jackson (D-Dekalb)

Senate Republican Leadership Remains The Same:
Sen. John Kennedy, President Pro Tem
Sen. Steve Gooch, Majority Leader
Sen. Jason Anavitarte, Majority Caucus Chair
Sen. Randy Robertson, Majority Whip
Sen. Matt Brass, Vice Caucus Chairman
Sen. Larry Walker III, Secretary



Elena Parent (D-Atlanta)



Jan Jones (R-Milton)

House Republicans are sticking with their seasoned leaders. Together with Speaker John Burns, Rep. Jan Jones (R-Milton) was once again nominated for another term as Pro Tempore, a role she's navigated since 2010. The GOP team is keeping its lineup strong with Rep. Chuck Efstration (R-Mulberry) back for a second term as House majority leader and Rep. James Burchett (R-Waycross) continuing as House majority whip. Rep. Bruce Williamson (R-Monroe) remains the majority caucus chair, while Rep. Houston Gaines (R-Athens) holds his position as majority caucus vice chair. Rounding out the leadership, Rep. Ginny Ehrhart (R-Powder Springs) continues as majority caucus secretary and treasurer.



New Energy



Carolyn Hugley (D-Columbus)

On the other side of the aisle, Democrats are shaking things up with fresh faces in leadership. Rep. Carolyn Hugley (D-Columbus) steps up as Minority Leader, bringing new energy to the team. Rep. Tanya Miller (D-Atlanta), in her second term, is taking on the role of Chair. Spencer Frye joins the leadership as Vice Chair, promising a dynamic approach. Meanwhile, Rep. Sam Park (D-Lawrenceville) returns as House minority whip. Rep. Park Cannon (D-Atlanta) stays on as minority caucus secretary, and Rep. Solomon Adesanya (D-Marietta) continues as minority caucus treasurer.

Both parties are gearing up with their own strategies and leadership as they look ahead, each committed to advancing their agendas and making an impact.

2025 Georgia Legislative Outlook: Tackling Tort Reform



Gov. Brian Kemp



Lieutenant Gov. Burt Jones

Georgia's leaders are gearing up for a critical debate on tort reform, a hot topic that's been gaining traction in recent months. Governor Kemp recently spearheaded a series of roundtable discussions focused on civil litigation, highlighting the state's current economic hurdles. He emphasized the importance of listening to all perspectives as this issue unfolds.

Alongside Kemp, Lieutenant Governor Jones and Speaker Burns have expressed their dedication to exploring reform possibilities. Business

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leaders are voicing concerns about what they dub a civil litigation crisis, pushing for prompt action. Proponents of civil justice maintain proposed reforms will unnecessarily harm the 7th Amendment liberties of injured parties.

Furthermore, Insurance Commissioner John King has underlined the urgency of passing reform in the upcoming session. As these conversations evolve, it's clear that Georgia's political landscape is poised for significant debate and potential change in the realm of civil litigation.

Medicaid Expansion: A Hot Button Issue



Senate Minority Leader Harold Jones (D-Augusta)

Democrats have made Medicaid expansion a top priority, nearly securing enough support in the Senate, just missing one vote during the 2024 session. The newly elected Senate Minority Chair, Harold Jones, emphasizes the importance of addressing the needs of almost 290,000 individuals caught in a healthcare limbo—earning too much to qualify for Medicaid yet unable to afford private insurance. This topic remains a lightning rod for debate. Whether you're standing on the left or the right, there's no denying the urgency and complexity of finding a solution that works for everyone.

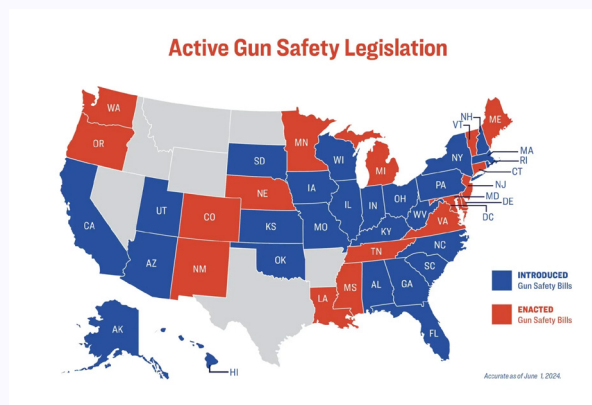
Other Hot Topics Ahead in the Upcoming Legislative Session Include:

As we look forward to the upcoming legislative session, a few hot-button issues are set to take center stage. Gun safety is sure to provoke robust discussions, with varying perspectives on how best to

balance rights with safety. Youth sports also promise to be a dynamic topic as communities seek the right balance between transgender equality and an all-out ban. Lastly, artificial intelligence

intrigues and challenges us, with debates likely focusing on innovation versus regulation. Stay tuned, as these topics are sure to spark lively and important conversations.

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What's Next

Upcoming Events

Mark your calendars for some key upcoming events that promise insightful discussions and networking opportunities.

First up, TMG's CEO, Brandeis Parkman, will join the ranks of industry leaders as a panelist at the Mission GalaCon Real Estate Conference. Scheduled for November 30, this gathering brings together real estate professionals and developers for a day of knowledge-sharing and collaboration.

Looking ahead to December, the Biennial Conference will take place from the 8th to the 10th in Athens, GA. This event is renowned for its in-depth sessions and engaging dialogues.

Meanwhile, the National Black Conference of State Legislators will be held from December 2 - 8 in Washington, DC, providing a platform for legislative leaders to exchange ideas and explore policy solutions.

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