Status: PASSED HOUSE. Recommended Do Pass by the Senate Education and Youth Committee. The bill is scheduled for a vote on the Senate floor for either today (MONDAY) or this WEDNESDAY.

HB 607 (Pirkle-169th)  Bill Link
Changes the ACT score requirement for a Zell Miller Scholarship Scholar from 26 to a score equivalent to 1,200 on the SAT, as determined by the Georgia Student Finance Commission using nationally recognized standards.
Status: PASSED HOUSE. Recommended Do Pass by the Senate Higher Education Committee. The bill is scheduled for a vote on the Senate floor for either today (MONDAY) or this WEDNESDAY.

SB 4 (Davenport-44th)  Bill Link
Enacts the "Blind Persons' Braille Literacy Rights and Education Act". Among other things, the bill requires an evaluation of a blind or visually impaired student to determine such student's need for Braille instruction; and requires Braille instruction in the individualized education program of a blind or visually impaired student as appropriate.
Status: PASSED SENATE. Assigned to House Education Committee.

SB 32 (Anavitarte-31st)  Bill Link
"Alyssa's Law" - Provides for the care of students being treated for epilepsy or a seizure disorder. A school nurse or other school employee should be trained in the proper protocols should a student experience a seizure while at school. The parent or guardian must annually supply the school with a seizure action plan which provides specific directions about what to do in emergency situations.
Status: PASSED SENATE. Recommended Do Pass by the House Education Committee. The bill rests in House Rules Committee.

SB 37 (Robertson-29th)  Bill Link
Requires peace officers who want to qualify as candidates for the office of sheriff to be in good standing with the Georgia Peace Officers Standards and Training (POST) Council. The bill requires the executive director of POST Council to create and provide for an affidavit attesting to the person's compliance with the new standard for qualifying. The director, or their designee, must sign the affidavit and the person seeking to qualify must present the affidavit to elections officials in order to qualify. The bill allows a sheriff who serves in more than one court to receive salary for each court but prohibits the sheriff receiving more than two additional salaries. The bill amends the statute relating to school bus cameras and school zone speed cameras to allow for the Department of Revenue to remove penalty on a vehicle registration if the department receives adequate proof of payment of the fee and any late fee from the agent or governing body.

SB 50 (Burns-23rd)  Bill Link
Allows that local boards of education which operate a school with grades nine through 12 may provide instruction in lifeguarding and aquatic safety.
Status: PASSED SENATE. Assigned to House Education Committee.

SB 112 (Anavitarte-31st)  Bill Link
Creates the 'Workforce EXCELeration Act' which provides for a pilot program to establish the High School Diploma Program for Adult Learners. The program will be facilitated by the State Board of the Technical College System of Georgia. The pilot program must include no more than three program locations in the state and will be automatically repealed on June 30, 2028.

SB 137 (Burns-23rd)  Bill Link
Allows eligible institutions that have been located in this state since on or before January 1, 2021, to qualify to receive tuition equalization grant funds. The bill expands tuition equalization grant eligibility to include higher education institutions which offer baccalaureate programs in nursing, have a current physical presence in Georgia for at least