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. The bill failed to receive any recommendation from the committee and therefore did not progress this session.

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 The pilot program must include no more than three program locations in the state and will be automatically repealed on June 30, 2028.
Status: **PASSED SENATE.** Recommended Do Pass by the House Higher Education Committee. The bill remained in House Rules Committee and therefore DID NOT PASS.

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 five years, have received accreditation from the Commission on Collegiate Nursing Education, and have accreditation from either the Southern Association of Colleges and Schools or a regional accrediting agency recognized by the U.S. Department of Education. These institutions must also have a four-year average passage rate of at least 85% for the National Council Licensure Examination and admit students who have a high school diploma or equivalency, or a degree from an accredited postsecondary institution. Such institutions are only considered as approved institutions for students who enroll on or before July 1, 2025.
Status: **PASSED SENATE.** Recommitted to House Rules Committee. The bill failed to receive any recommendation from the committee and therefore did not progress this session.

SB 169  (Payne-54th)  Bill Link
Provides for limits on the extension of hearing dates for student discipline tribunals and requires local school systems to provide appropriate grade-level instructional materials to any student subject to in-school suspension, short-term suspension, or long-term suspension pending completion of the student discipline tribunal.
Status: **PASSED SENATE.** Assigned to House Education Committee. The bill failed to receive any recommendation from the committee and therefore did not progress this session.

SB 170  (Albers-56th)  Bill Link
Provides for the qualification and selection of students to advise the State Board of Education and local boards of education, and provides for the Georgia Teacher of the Year to be invited to advise the State Board of Education.
Status: **PASSED SENATE.** Assigned to House Education Committee. The bill failed to receive any recommendation from the committee and therefore did not progress this session.

SB 217  (Albers-56th)  Bill Link
Restricts when a school zone speed limit may be enforced using an automated traffic safety device to 30 minutes prior to and 30 minutes after the school starts, 30 minutes prior to and 30 minutes after the school dismisses unless the school campus is bisected by a highway, and when the driver is 10 miles per hour over the speed limit. When a citation is issued, the driver will receive an assigned hearing date that must be within 60 days of issuance of the citation. If a penalty is unpaid 30 days after a final notice has been mailed, the vehicle’s registration cannot be renewed until the penalty and late fees have been collected. The bill requires an assigned hearing date to be issued with a citation for improperly overtaking a school bus. Registration of the vehicle cannot be renewed until the penalty and late fees are collected. (Contains provisions from HB 348)
Status: **PASSED SENATE. PASSED HOUSE.** The Senate failed to agree to changes the House made and therefore the bill DID NOT PASS.