parties' views. A superior court will maintain jurisdiction of those who are 17 years old at the time of the alleged crime when those individuals are alleged to have committed criminal gang activity or an offense that would be a felony, if tried as an adult, for a second or subsequent time. Parts I and IV of the bill become effective upon the governor's signature. Parts II and III of the bill become effective January 1, 2025, subject to appropriations. If the co-chairpersons of the implementation committee determine that money was not appropriated for that year, the determination will be made during the following years until January 1, 2030. If those funds are appropriated in one of the following years, it will become effective on January 1 of that fiscal year.

Status: PASSED HOUSE. Assigned to Senate Judiciary Committee. The bill failed to receive any recommendation from the committee and therefore did not progress this session.

HB 500 (Silcox-53rd) [Bill Link]
Creates the offense of arson of a law enforcement vehicle. Any person convicted of the offense is punished by a fine up to $100,000 or by imprisonment for a minimum of five years with a maximum of 20 years, or both.
Status: PASSED HOUSE. Recommended Do Pass by the Senate Judiciary Committee. The bill remained in Senate Rules Committee and therefore DID NOT PASS.

HB 505 (Cheokas-151st) [Bill Link]
Makes the offense of riot a felony offense punishable by imprisonment for a minimum of one year up to a maximum of 20 years. (Note that current code defines the offense of "riot" as "any two or more persons who shall do an unlawful act of violence or any other act in a violent and tumultuous manner").
Status: PASSED HOUSE. Assigned to Senate Judiciary Committee. The bill failed to receive any recommendation from the committee and therefore did not progress this session.

HR 348 (Silcox-53rd) [Bill Link]
Creates the House Study Committee on Excessive Vehicle Noise and Related Crimes.
Status: House Public Safety and Homeland Security Committee. The bill failed to receive any recommendation from the committee and therefore did not progress this session.

SB 12 (Albers-56th) [Bill Link]
Provides for sentencing to minimum terms of imprisonment for persons convicted of possession of firearms by convicted felons and first offender probationers when the offense for which such person is on probation, or has been previously convicted is a forcible felony, or a domestic violence felony, or an act of family violence. Among other things, the bill also provides that a plea of guilty or nolo contendere to a criminal gang activity offense shall stop the defendant in any related civil proceeding as to matters proved in the criminal proceeding.
Status: PASSED SENATE. Assigned to House Judiciary Non-Civil Committee. The bill failed to receive any recommendation from the committee and therefore did not progress this session.

SB 110 (Walker-20th) [Bill Link]
Creates a Back the Blue Fund of which the revenue commissioner will be the custodian and administer to sheriffs' offices through the Georgia Sheriff's Association for the purpose of providing bonuses to deputy sheriffs and jailers. An option will be provided to contribute $5 to the fund upon issuance or renewal of a motor vehicle car tag.
Status: PASSED SENATE. Recommended Do Pass by the House Motor Vehicles Committee. The bill remained in House Rules Committee and therefore DID NOT PASS.