



GEORGIA CHAMBER

2019 | LEGISLATIVE PRIORITIES

Economic Development, Tourism, & Taxation

- Support efforts to improve economic opportunities and enhance the quality of life in rural Georgia
- Further streamline government regulatory processes and promoting incentives for companies investing in critical infrastructure throughout the state
- Promote policies that strengthen emerging and innovative industries and technology that have potential to grow jobs and economic prosperity
- Support ongoing examination of the current tax base, tax rates, tax incentives, and compliance requirements to ensure a Georgia business environment that is fair and competitive—not only for the state’s current business, but also for businesses considering relocating here
- Support current tax incentives which have proven to assist companies to invest and expand their footprint in the state

Education

- Support an education and talent ecosystem focused on developing, retaining, and attracting a more globally competitive workforce

Employment

- Preserve Georgia’s employment-at-will doctrine and the state’s right-to-work status
- Preserve employers’ ability to maintain a safe business environment for employees

Energy & Natural Resources

- Protect statewide access to sustainable, reliable, and affordable energy supplies
- Enhance access to high-quality, affordable water supplies and ensuring future water supply security for communities and businesses across the state

Health & Wellness

- Support a state-led approach to ensure the viability of our health care system by improving access and affordability
- Promote cost containment with respect to employer-sponsored health insurance

Legal Reform

- Improve the balance in the state’s civil justice system by modernizing rules of civil procedure for handling of electronic discovery; limiting double recovery for non-existent medical expenses; and regulating the unsavory practice of third-party litigation financing

Transportation

- Support continued strategic investment of state funding into Georgia’s transportation network to promote economic growth and greater quality of life
- Support efforts to expand Georgia’s capacity to transport freight
- Support strategic efforts to continue to develop Georgia’s network of public transportation systems
- Support innovations in transportation that contribute to the state’s competitiveness and economic growth