



# GEORGIACHAMBER

## 2026 Legislative Priorities

### **Economic Development & Taxation**

- Support and maintain state tax incentives and economic development policies that attract investment, create jobs, incentivize growth, and provide economic stability, while maintaining a predictable business climate
- Support policies to assist in privately funded technological infrastructure advancements in rural communities, aiding small businesses, colleges, hospitals, and local governments
- Maintain consistency and uniformity with respect to regulating Georgia businesses while modernizing regulations to keep Georgia competitive

### **Employment Law**

- Protect Georgia's workers and employers by preserving 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
- Support employment legislation that allows market force principles to work in the state's economy, free from government intervention
- Protect Georgia's proven pro-growth employment laws by avoiding unnecessary and complicated, state-specific changes where federal law may already exist

### **Energy & Natural Resources**

- Protect statewide access to abundant, safe, reliable, and affordable energy supplies
- Enhance access to high-quality, affordable water supplies, ensuring future water supply security for communities and businesses across the state
- Preserve Georgia's existing regulatory market structure for the provision of retail electric service
- Oppose administrative, legislative, and/or regulatory actions that diminish or erode existing private property rights or the full enjoyment and use of those rights

## **Health & Wellness**

- Support a state-led approach to ensure the viability of our healthcare system and help small businesses by reducing healthcare costs and increasing access to care for more Georgians
- Support policies that promote the development of a talented and qualified workforce across the healthcare continuum
- Support the expansion of mental health services in the state through increasing state funding, building a more robust network of service providers, and reducing regulatory barriers
- Promote cost containment with respect to employer-sponsored health insurance

## **Innovation & Technology**

- Support data privacy policies that provide a consistent and predictable regulatory environment across international, federal, and state governments.
- Support efforts to foster technological innovation and promote investments to increase the state's economic competitiveness while providing necessary compatible regulations with federal and state standards

## **Legal Reform**

- Support policies that reduce lawsuit costs, increase predictability, and prioritize efficiency in the civil justice system
- Protect efforts to reduce landowner liabilities
- Protect efforts and introduce transparency in civil litigation
- Protect and maintain efforts to level the playing field between plaintiffs and defendants
- Support efforts to ensure Georgia's insurance market is robust and competitive

## **Talent & Workforce**

- Support policies that improve education completion rates and student preparedness to provide an employable and adaptable workforce

- Promote efforts to better align K-12, higher education, and industry needs to bolster an effective workforce pipeline and improve student outcomes
- Support policies to reduce regulatory barriers to employment to ensure the private sector can meet workforce needs
- Support efforts to address affordability challenges related to childcare, transportation, and housing to ensure communities across the state can attract and retain talent

## **Transportation**

- Support continued strategic state investment into Georgia's transportation infrastructure and oppose any attempt to reduce the benefits of the Transportation Funding Act of 2015 or divert the proceeds to other purposes
- Support efforts to expand Georgia's capacity to transport freight through the supply chain, as well as to end-market users in the state
- Support continued strategic efforts to increase public investment of local, state, and federal funding into Georgia's transportation network, which will result in economic growth and a greater quality of life
- Support the development of Georgia's public transportation systems
- Support innovations in transportation technology