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2013 LEGISLATIVE SCORECARD

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Throughout the 2013 session of the Georgia General Assembly, legislators addressed a number of issues important to our state's business community. Those issues deemed most important to job creation and our state's economic recovery were designated as scorecard issues by the Government Affairs Council and are included in this year's Legislative Scorecard. Each legislator's grade reflects a midterm assessment of their support of business community priorities. A final grade will be given to each elected official following the 2014 session of the Georgia General Assembly.

For more information on any of the bills mentioned, or for a complete list of bills tracked this year, visit www.gachamber.com.

1 BUSINESS & INDUSTRY

HB 154 makes significant reforms to Georgia workers' compensation laws – including two key provisions in the bill: a 400-week cap on medical benefits for non-catastrophic injuries and a trial return-to-work period.

HB 361 will ensure that employees have appropriate information available to them regarding their rights for union membership and dues support. The bill also amends current Georgia law related to paycheck protection for union dues and transparency in government contracting.

2 ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT

HB 318 will extend state tax credits on 'angel investments' for two additional years for individuals who make qualified investments into Georgia's high-tech companies. The credit allows for an investor to claim up to 35% of their investment against their taxable income (\$50,000 cap per investor). The law caps the aggregate statewide tax credit amount at \$5 million. HB 318 also creates the Invest Georgia Fund – a public-private mechanism that would provide venture capital funding to companies in the early and growth stages.

SB 224 creates the Invest Georgia Fund to encourage investments in the early and growth stages of Georgia-based, small companies focusing on the technology, health care, life sciences, agribusiness, logistics, energy and manufacturing industry sectors. SB 224 passed the Senate, but did not make it to the floor for a House vote.

3 EDUCATION & WORKFORCE

HB 188 is designed to help qualified military veterans and their spouses seeking employment that have been certified or trained in certain skilled trades to be allowed to obtain an expedited Georgia license or certification in certain professions.

HB 244 will tie state teacher evaluations directly to student achievement and build a more transparent and uniform system to determine the effectiveness of teachers in Georgia's classrooms, beginning with the 2014-2015 school year.

HB 372 adjusts the academic qualifications for the state's HOPE Grant – which offers tuition funding for technical college – in order to provide workforce training to more students.

4 HEALTH CARE

SB 24 allows the Georgia Department of Community Health to fill a shortfall in the state Medicaid program, protecting hospitals from having to cut important services, and helping many rural hospitals across the state avoid closure.

5 JUDICIARY

HB 336 allows an insurer to respond in 30 days to an offer for settlement. Furthermore, it allows the ability to seek clarification of the terms of the offer without being considered a counteroffer or rejection. The application of the bill is limited to: motor vehicle claims, offers prior to the filing of a lawsuit and offers prepared with the assistance of an attorney.

SB 113 removes cashiers, secretaries, and other agents from being allowed to accept service on a corporation. The bill also defines a managing agent as a person employed by a corporation or a foreign corporation who is at an office or facility in this state and who has managerial or supervisory authority for such corporation or foreign corporation.

SCORECARD KEY

Y = Yes Vote

N = No Vote

/ = Absent or Excused

A+ = 100-95

A = 94-90

B+ = 89-85

B = 84-80

C+ = 79-75

C = 74-70

U = Below 70
(Unsatisfactory)

N/A = Not Eligible for Score

To receive a grade, the legislator must be present to vote for 50% of the total scorecard votes. If the legislator is not present for 50% of the votes, the legislator will receive a 'N/A.'

For some legislators, subjective factors were taken into account which can positively or negatively impact scores. Factors include but are not limited to: sponsoring bills, speaking for or against bills, voting in committees, offering amendments, and furthering the Chamber's legislative priorities.



GEORGIA SENATE LEGISLATIVE SCORECARD

| Senator | 2013 Grade | 1 | | 2 | | 3 | | | 4 | 5 | | Sub-Total | Subjective Factors |
|-------------------------|------------|----------|----------|----------|----------|----------|----------|----------|----------|----------|----------|------------|--------------------|
| | | HB 154 | HB 361 | HB 318 | SB 224 | HB 188 | HB 244 | SB 372 | SB 24 | HB 336 | SB 113 | | |
| CHAMBER POSITION | A+ | Y | 100 | +/- |
| Albers, John | A+ | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | 100 | - |
| Balfour, Don | A+ | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | / | Y | 100 | |
| Beach, Brandon | A+ | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | 100 | + |
| Bethel, Charlie | A+ | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | 100 | + |
| Burke, Dean | A+ | / | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | / | Y | Y | 100 | |
| Butler, Gloria | B | Y | N | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | N | Y | Y | 80 | |
| Carter, Buddy | A+ | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | 100 | |
| Carter, Jason | B | Y | N | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | N | Y | Y | 80 | |
| Chance, Ronnie | A+ | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | / | Y | Y | Y | 100 | + |
| Cowsert, Bill | A+ | Y | Y | / | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | / | Y | 100 | |
| Crane, Mike | U | Y | Y | N | N | N | Y | Y | N | Y | Y | 60 | |
| Crosby, John | A+ | / | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | 100 | |
| Davenport, Gail | A | Y | N | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | 90 | |
| Davis, Hardie | A | Y | N | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | 90 | + |
| Dugan, Mike | A+ | Y | / | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | 100 | |
| Fort, Vincent | U | Y | N | N | / | Y | Y | Y | N | / | / | 57 | |
| Ginn, Frank | A+ | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | / | Y | Y | Y | Y | 100 | + |
| Golden, Tim | A+ | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | / | Y | Y | Y | 100 | + |
| Gooch, Steve | A+ | / | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | 100 | |
| Harbison, Ed | A | Y | N | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | 90 | |
| Harper, Tyler | A+ | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | 100 | |
| Heath, Bill | U | Y | Y | N | N | N | Y | Y | N | Y | Y | 60 | |
| Henson, Steve | C+ | Y | N | Y | Y | / | Y | Y | N | Y | / | 75 | |
| Hill, Hunter | A+ | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | 100 | + |
| Hill, Jack | A+ | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | 100 | |
| Hill, Judson | A+ | Y | Y | / | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | / | Y | 100 | |
| Hufstetler, Chuck | A+ | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | 100 | |
| Jackson, Bill | A+ | Y | Y | / | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | / | / | 100 | |



GEORGIA HOUSE LEGISLATIVE SCORECARD

| Representative | 2013 Grade | ① | | ② | ③ | | | ④ | ⑤ | | Sub-Total | Subjective Factors |
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| | | HB 154 | HB 361 | HB 318 | HB 188 | HB 244 | SB 372 | SB 24 | HB 336 | SB 113 | | |
| CHAMBER POSITION | A+ | Y | 100 | +/- |
| Abrams, Stacey | A | Y | N | Y | 89 | + |
| Alexander, Kimberly | B+ | Y | N | Y | 89 | |
| Allison, Stephen | C+ | Y | Y | N | Y | Y | Y | N | Y | Y | 78 | |
| Anderson, Tonya | C+ | Y | N | Y | Y | N | Y | / | Y | Y | 75 | |
| Atwood, Alex | A+ | Y | 100 | + |
| Ballinger, Mandi | A+ | Y | / | 100 | |
| Barr, Timothy | C+ | Y | Y | N | / | Y | Y | N | Y | Y | 75 | |
| Battles, Paul | A+ | Y | 100 | |
| Beasley-Teague, Sharon | C+ | Y | N | Y | Y | N | Y | Y | Y | Y | 78 | |
| Bell, Simone | B+ | Y | N | Y | 89 | |
| Bennett, Karen | C | Y | N | Y | / | N | Y | / | Y | Y | 71 | |
| Bentley, Patty | B | Y | N | / | Y | / | Y | Y | Y | / | 83 | |
| Benton, Tommy | B+ | Y | Y | Y | N | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | 89 | |
| Beverly, James | B+ | Y | N | Y | Y | Y | Y | / | Y | Y | 88 | |
| Black, Ellis | A+ | / | Y | Y | Y | / | Y | Y | Y | Y | 100 | |
| Braddock, Paulette | A+ | Y | 100 | |
| Broadrick, Bruce | A+ | Y | 100 | |
| Brockway, Buzz | B+ | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | N | Y | Y | 89 | |
| Brooks, Tyrone | B+ | Y | N | Y | 89 | |
| Bruce, Roger | B+ | Y | N | Y | 89 | |
| Bryant, Bob | B+ | / | N | Y | 88 | |
| Buckner, Debbie | B+ | Y | N | Y | 89 | |
| Burns, Jon | A+ | Y | 100 | |
| Caldwell, Jr., Johnnie | B+ | Y | Y | Y | Y | N | Y | Y | Y | Y | 89 | |
| Caldwell, Michael | C+ | Y | Y | N | Y | Y | Y | N | Y | Y | 78 | |
| Carson, John | A+ | Y | 100 | |
| Carter, Amy | A+ | Y | 100 | |
| Casas, David | C+ | Y | Y | N | Y | / | Y | N | Y | Y | 75 | |
| Chandler, Joyce | A+ | Y | 100 | |
| Channell, Mickey | B+ | Y | Y | N | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | / | 88 | |
| Chapman, Jeff | U | Y | Y | N | / | N | Y | N | / | / | 50 | |
| Cheokas, Mike | B+ | Y | Y | Y | N | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | 89 | |
| Clark, Josh | B+ | Y | Y | N | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | 89 | |
| Clark, Valerie | A+ | Y | 100 | |
| Coleman, Brooks | A+ | Y | 100 | |
| Cooke, Kevin | C+ | Y | Y | N | Y | Y | Y | N | Y | Y | 78 | |
| Coomer, Christian | A+ | Y | / | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | / | 100 | + |
| Cooper, Sharon | A+ | Y | 100 | |
| Dawkins-Haigler, Dee | B+ | / | / | Y | Y | N | Y | Y | Y | Y | 86 | |
| Deffenbaugh, John | A+ | Y | 100 | |
| Dempsey, Katie | A+ | Y | 100 | |
| Dickerson, Pam | B+ | Y | N | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | / | Y | 88 | |
| Dickey, Robert | A+ | Y | 100 | |
| Dickson, Tom | A+ | Y | 100 | |
| Dollar, Matt | A+ | Y | Y | Y | Y | / | Y | Y | Y | Y | 100 | |



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| CHAMBER POSITION | A+ | Y | 100 | +/- |
| Douglas, Demetrius | B+ | Y | N | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | 89 | |
| Drenner, Karla | B+ | Y | N | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | 89 | |
| Dudgeon, Mike | A | Y | N | Y | 89 | + |
| Dukes, Winfred | C+ | Y | N | / | Y | N | Y | Y | Y | Y | 75 | |
| Dunahoo, Emory | A+ | Y | Y | / | Y | Y | / | Y | Y | Y | 100 | |
| Duncan, Geoff | C+ | Y | Y | N | Y | Y | Y | N | Y | Y | 78 | |
| Dutton, Delvis | C+ | Y | Y | N | Y | Y | Y | N | Y | Y | 78 | |
| Ehrhart, Earl | A+ | Y | Y | / | Y | / | Y | Y | Y | Y | 100 | |
| England, Terry | A+ | Y | / | Y | 100 | |
| Epps, Bubber | A+ | Y | 100 | |
| Epps, Carl Von | B+ | Y | N | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | / | 88 | |
| Evans, Stacey | A+ | Y | / | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | / | 100 | + |
| Fleming, Barry | B+ | Y | Y | N | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | 89 | - |
| Floyd, Hugh | C+ | / | N | Y | Y | N | Y | Y | Y | Y | 75 | |
| Fludd, Virgil | B+ | Y | N | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | 89 | |
| Frazier, Gloria | B+ | Y | N | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | 89 | |
| Frye, Spencer | C+ | Y | N | Y | Y | N | Y | Y | Y | Y | 78 | |
| Fullerton, Carol | B+ | Y | N | / | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | 88 | |
| Gardner, Pat | C+ | Y | N | N | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | 78 | |
| Gasaway, Dan | B+ | Y | Y | N | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | 89 | |
| Geisinger, Harry | A+ | Y | 100 | |
| Glanton, Mike | A+ | Y | 100 | |
| Golick, Rich | A+ | Y | 100 | |
| Gordon, Craig | B+ | Y | N | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | 89 | |
| Gravley, Micah | B+ | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | N | Y | Y | 89 | |
| Greene, Gerald | C+ | Y | N | Y | Y | N | Y | Y | Y | / | 75 | |
| Gregory, Charles | U | Y | Y | N | Y | Y | N | N | Y | Y | 67 | |
| Hamilton, Mark | A+ | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | / | Y | Y | 100 | + |
| Harbin, Ben | B+ | Y | Y | Y | Y | N | Y | Y | / | Y | 88 | |
| Harden, Buddy | A+ | Y | 100 | |
| Harrell, Brett | B+ | Y | Y | N | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | 89 | |
| Hatchett, Matt | A+ | Y | 100 | + |
| Hawkins, Lee | A+ | Y | 100 | |
| Henson, Michele | B+ | Y | N | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | / | Y | 88 | |
| Hightower, Dustin | A+ | Y | 100 | + |
| Hill, Calvin | A+ | Y | 100 | |
| Hitchens, Bill | B+ | Y | N | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | / | Y | 88 | |
| Holcomb, Scott | B+ | Y | N | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | 89 | |
| Holmes, Susan | A+ | Y | 100 | |
| Holt, Doug | C+ | Y | Y | N | Y | Y | Y | N | Y | Y | 78 | |
| Houston, Penny | A+ | Y | 100 | |
| Howard, Henry "Wayne" | B+ | Y | N | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | 89 | |
| Hugley, Carolyn | B+ | / | N | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | 88 | |
| Jackson, Mack | A+ | Y | 100 | |
| Jacobs, Mike | A+ | Y | Y | / | Y | Y | Y | Y | / | Y | 100 | |

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| CHAMBER POSITION | A+ | Y | 100 | +/- |
| Jasperse, Rick | A+ | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | 100 | |
| Jones, Jan | A+ | Y | Y | Y | / | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | 100 | |
| Jones, LaDawn | B+ | Y | N | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | 89 | |
| Jones, Sheila | B+ | Y | N | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | 89 | |
| Jordan, Darryl | C+ | Y | N | / | Y | N | Y | Y | Y | Y | 75 | |
| Kaiser, Margaret | B+ | / | N | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | 88 | |
| Kelley, Trey | A+ | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | / | 100 | |
| Kendrick, Dar'shun | B+ | Y | N | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | / | Y | 88 | |
| Kidd, E. Culver "Rusty" | A+ | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | 100 | |
| Kirby, Tom | A+ | Y | Y | / | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | 100 | |
| Knight, David | A+ | Y | Y | / | Y | Y | Y | / | Y | / | 100 | |
| Lindsey, Edward | A+ | Y | Y | / | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | 100 | + |
| Lumsden, Eddie | A+ | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | / | 100 | |
| Mabra, Ronnie | B+ | Y | N | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | 89 | |
| Marin, Pedro "Pete" | B+ | Y | N | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | 89 | |
| Martin, Chuck | B+ | Y | Y | N | Y | Y | Y | / | Y | Y | 88 | |
| Maxwell, Howard | A+ | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | 100 | |
| Mayo, Rahn | B+ | Y | N | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | / | Y | 88 | |
| McCall, Tom | A | / | Y | Y | Y | N | Y | / | Y | Y | 86 | + |
| Meadows, John | A+ | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | 100 | |
| Mitchell, Billy | B+ | Y | N | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | 89 | |
| Morgan, Alisha Thomas | B+ | / | N | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | 88 | |
| Morris, Greg | A+ | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | / | Y | 100 | |
| Mosby, Howard | C+ | Y | N | Y | Y | N | Y | Y | Y | Y | 78 | |
| Murphy, Quincy | B | / | N | Y | Y | / | Y | / | Y | / | 80 | |
| Neal, Jay | A+ | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | 100 | |
| Nimmer, Chad | B+ | Y | Y | Y | Y | N | Y | Y | / | Y | 88 | |
| Nix, Randy | A+ | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | 100 | + |
| O'Neal, Larry | A+ | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | / | Y | 100 | |
| Oliver, Mary Margaret | C+ | Y | N | N | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | 78 | |
| Pak, B.J. | A+ | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | 100 | + |
| Parrish, Butch | A+ | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | 100 | |
| Parsons, Don | A+ | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | 100 | |
| Peake, Allen | A+ | Y | Y | / | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | / | 100 | + |
| Pezold, John David | C+ | Y | Y | N | Y | Y | Y | N | Y | Y | 78 | |
| Powell, Alan | A+ | Y | / | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | 100 | |
| Powell, Jay | A+ | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | / | Y | Y | 100 | + |
| Pruett, Jimmy | A+ | Y | Y | Y | / | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | 100 | |
| Quick, Regina | C+ | Y | Y | N | Y | Y | Y | N | Y | Y | 78 | |
| Ralston, David* | | P | P | P | P | P | P | P | P | P | | |
| Ramsey, Matt | A+ | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | 100 | |
| Randall, Nikki | B+ | Y | N | Y | / | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | 88 | |
| Rice, Tom | B+ | Y | / | Y | Y | N | Y | Y | Y | Y | 88 | |
| Riley, Lynne | B+ | Y | Y | N | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | 89 | |
| Roberts, Jay | B+ | Y | Y | Y | Y | N | Y | Y | Y | Y | 89 | |

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