

Legislative Update

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2015 Legislative Session Convenes

The House and Senate officially convened on Monday, January 12th for the first day of the 2015 Legislative Session. Members of both Chambers were sworn into office shortly after the session began.

The House elected David Ralston (R-Blue Ridge) as Speaker of the House and also elected Representative Jan Jones (R-Milton) as Speaker Pro Tempore.

Lieutenant Governor Casey Cagle will continue to preside over the Senate. David Shafer (R-Duluth) was elected to serve as President Pro Tempore in the Senate.

Legislative Adjournment Schedule Announced through February 12th

January 15	Legislative Day 4
January 16-25	Recess
January 26	Legislative Day 5
January 27	Legislative Day 6
January 28	Legislative Day 7
January 29	Legislative Day 8
January 30 - February 1	Recess
February 2	Legislative Day 9
February 3	Legislative Day 10
February 4	Legislative Day 11
February 5-8	Recess
February 9	Legislative Day 12
February 10	Legislative Day 13
February 11	Legislative Day 14
February 12	Legislative Day 15

New House and Senate Committees

The 2015 Legislative Session brings several changes to the membership of Legislative Committees in the General Assembly. Representative Paul Battles (R-Cartersville) will continue to chair the House Retirement Committee. Please click [here](#) for a full listing of House Retirement Committee members.

Senator Chuck Hufstetler (R-Rome) will chair the Senate Retirement Committee. Please click [here](#) to view a full listing of Senate Retirement Committee members.

Governor Nathan Deal gives State of the State

Governor Nathan Deal gave his fifth State of the State Address as members of the House and Senate convened for a joint session on Wednesday, January 14th, at 11AM. Governor Deal welcomed members to the 2015 Legislative Session and highlighted his proposals for the upcoming year.

To view the full text of the Governor's State of the State Address, click [here](#).

Legislative Log

The Legislative Log will resume when new retirement legislation has been introduced. Summaries and links to legislative bills (when introduced) may also be found on the Legislation section of our website at www.ers.ga.gov.