2021 Georgia General Assembly City of Atlanta Update

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### 2021 Legislative Session

### 40 Legislative Days (Today is the 15th Legislative Day)

- The General Assembly first convened on Monday, January 11<sup>th</sup>.
- Session is functioning in-person following strict COVID protocols.
- COA lobbyists have a presence at the Assembly, but limit in-person engagement.

# 2021 Legislative Session: Priority Bills of Concern/Interest

#### **Priority Bills & Issues of Concern**

- County Airport Property Tax
  - HB 269 sponsored by Rep. Mike Glanton (D-Jonesboro)
  - HB 151 sponsored by Rep. Rhonda Burnough (D-Riverdale)

#### **Priority Bills of Interest**

- SB 10: Street Racing
- HB 150: Prohibiting Local Natural Gas Bans
- SB 133: Ban No-knock Warrants

# 2021 Legislative Session: ELECTIONS

- COA opposes all election bills focused on restricting voting access among eligible voters.
- Several House and Senate Bills have been introduced Team will monitor bills that gain traction.
  - Example: HB 270- (Sponsored by Rep. Barry Fleming-R-Harlem) prohibits absentee ballots from being issued within 10 days of an election, which implements a recommendation from the Association of County Commissioners. Rep. Fleming is the Chairman of House Special Committee on Election Integrity.
- Other Tactics: Eliminate automatic voter registration, also known as the "Motor Voter Law" (SB 69), Prohibit out-of-state voters in a general election from voting in U.S. House/Sen runoffs (SB 70), Eliminate no-excuse absentee and limiting it to rare exceptions (SB 71), & Prohibit third-party and nonprofit groups from sending absentee ballot applications (SB 73)

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Questions?