

Plumbing and Mechanical Association of Georgia

Legislative Report

February 12, 2010

The Georgia General Assembly has now completed 17 of its prescribed 40 legislative days. The lawmakers will return from a long weekend recess on Tuesday and meet through Thursday of next week.

Bill status report.

HB 953 – Smith of Newnan: to exempt from sales and use tax certain energy efficient products and water efficient products from October 1, 2010 through October 10, 2010. Referred to Ways & Means Committee.

HB 998 – Martin of Alpharetta: to repeal the corporate net worth tax. Referred to Ways & Means Committee.

HB 1016 – Golick of Smyrna: to include businesses as potential victims of identity theft. Passed House and referred to Senate Judiciary Committee.

HB 1069 – Wilkinson of Dunwoody: would provide tax credits for qualified equipment that reduces business or domestic energy or water use. Referred to Ways & Means Committee.

HB 1076 -- Dodson of Clayton County: would repeal provisions relating to the licensing of residential and general contractors. Referred to Regulated Industries Committee. (see HR 1293 below.)

HB 1094 – Smith of Newnan: Administration bill to implement residential and commercial water conservation; to provide for water supply reservoirs. Referred to Housed Natural Resources. Senate companion bill SB 370 is in Senate Natural Resources.

HR 1293 – Dodson of Clayton County: a resolution calling for a study committee on the licensing of residential and general contractors. Referred to Regulated Industries Committee.

SB 321 – Pearson of Dawsonville: to provide for private ownership of new public water supply reservoirs. Referred to Senate Natural Resources Committee.

SB 339 – Seabaugh of Sharpsburg: to make it unlawful to disqualify a licensed utility contractor from doing work on a utility system on the basis that the utility contractor does

not hold a general contractor license. Favorably reported by Senate Regulated Industries Committee.

SB 346 – Rogers of Woodstock: to make comprehensive revisions in property tax law, providing more transparency and equity for property owners. Hearing held in Senate Finance Committee.

SB 362 – Weber of Dunwoody: would amend lien law to eliminate provisions that a mechanic or materialman who has executed a waiver and release upon payment shall be presumed to have received payment if the mechanic or materialman does not file an affidavit of nonpayment within a certain period of time. Referred to Special Judiciary.

SB 370 – Tolleson of Perry: Administration bill to implement residential and commercial water conservation; to provide for water supply reservoirs. Referred to Senate Natural Resources. House companion bill HB 1094 is in House Natural Resources

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