

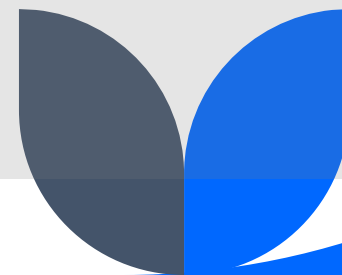
# 2023 Legislative Agenda

Add-Ons

**County  
Judicial  
Circuit**  
*(Request of  
Councilors  
Toyia Tucker  
and Mimi  
Woodson)*

Introduce legislation to create a Muscogee Judicial Circuit comprised of judges from Muscogee County Superior Court.

- 32 Counties in Georgia with a Population over 80K
- 16 Counties are all Single County Circuits
  - Fulton, Gwinnett, Cobb, DeKalb, Columbia, Clayton, Chatham, Cherokee, Forsyth, Henry, Paulding, Houston, Douglas, Floyd, Rockdale and Dougherty
- 15 Counties all have 80K Population but are still part of multi-counties
  - Muscogee, Hall, Bibb, Coweta, Clarke, Fayette, Carroll, Lowndes, Newton, Bartow, Richmond, Walton, Glynn, Barrow and Bulloch



# Casino Gaming Referendum

*(Request of Councilors Toyia Tucker and Mimi Woodson)*

Introduce or support legislation to authorize a statewide referendum for a constitutional amendment to allow Georgia citizens to vote as to whether casino gaming should be allowed in Georgia for the purpose of Hope Scholarship funding.

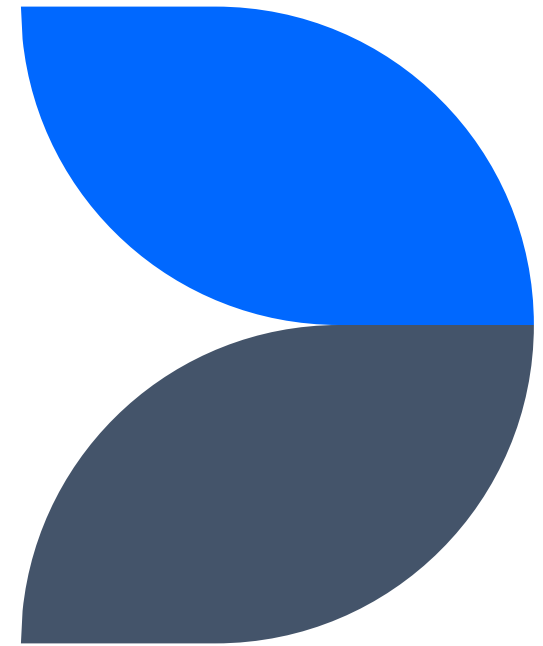
If approved:

- 5 Casino Jurisdictions in Georgia
- Place on ballots in local jurisdictions

# Legitimation Procedures

*(Request of Councilor Mimi  
Woodson)*

Introduce a resolution supporting the legislative study of legitimation procedures to make them more affordable and accessible to fathers of limited means who desire to take responsibility for a role in the life of their biological children.

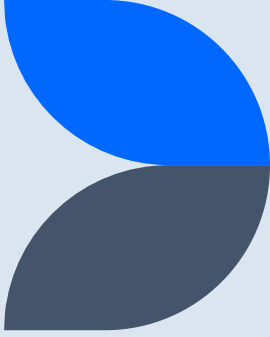


# **Municipal Court Jurisdiction** *(Request of Judge Steven Smith)*

- Amend an Act establishing the Municipal Court of Columbus, Georgia, approved August 12, 1915 (Ga. L. 1915, p. 63), as amended, particularly by an Act approved March 29, 1983 (Ga. L. 1983, p. 4443), so as to increase the civil jurisdiction amount of said Court to \$50,000; to repeal conflicting laws; and for other purposes.

# **Housing Affordability**

## **(Request of Councilor Toyia Tucker)**



Introduce an amendment to said statewide legislation to allow cities and counties to enact localized anti-displacement policies for properties in Qualified Census Tracts (QCTs) and Difficult Development Areas (DDAs) economically depressed zones as defined by general law of the General Assembly.

# Mayor/Mayor Pro Tem Compensatio n

(Request of City  
Manager Isaiah  
Hugley)

- Introduce a local Act setting the salary of the Mayor of Columbus, Georgia at 70% of the salary of the City Manager; and setting the salary of the Mayor Pro-Tem at 35% of the salary of the Mayor; to be effective in January, 2027; and to repeal any conflicting provisions of the Columbus Charter.

# **New Options Waiver Program/Comprehensive Support Waiver Program (Request of Councilor Toyia Tucker)**

Evaluate and appropriately fund operation of the New Options Waiver (NOW) and the Comprehensive Supports Waiver Program (COMP), which offer home- and community-based services for people with intellectual disabilities (ID) or developmental disabilities (DD).





# QUESTIONS

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