

## LEGISLATIVE ALERT #5 AND FINAL – APRIL 6, 2006

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	HB 101	Representative Tyrone Brooks	<b>Peace Officers' Annuity and Benefit Fund; would allow those employed in the law enforcement community prior to July 1976, to buy back POAB time.</b>	Passed	Must still be employed in law enforcement. Must provide sworn statement that states prevented from making an application because of race or ethnicity.
	HB 513	Representative Austin Scott	<b>Local law enforcement; obtaining potential or current local employees driving and criminal history checks.</b>	Passed	This is a GACP bill dropped-in last year. It would allow local law enforcement to do all of their own checks on city or county employees.
	HB 1019	Representative Burke Day	<b>"Taser Certification Act"; create.</b>	Passed	Mandates taser training by person authorized by their departments to carry such a weapon. Does not take effect until 6 months after being funded.
	HB 1059	Representative Jerry Keen	<b>Sexual offenders; punishment; registration requirements; change provisions.</b>	Passed	Hefty minimum prison sentence; some offenders to wear monitoring devices for life.
	HB 1193	Representative David Knight	<b>Prohibiting false or secret compartments in vehicles.</b>	Passed	Designed to eliminate compartments where drugs and weapons may be hidden.

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	HB 1209	Representative Jill Chambers	<b>Department of Public Safety; motorcycle enforcement program; provisions for payment.</b>	Passed	Would permit direct ticket funding to go to the Department of Public Safety's motorcycle unit.
*	HB 1216	Representative Allen Freeman	<b>All terrain vehicles for law enforcement.</b>	Passed	Permits law enforcement to use ATV's on roads.
*	HB 1302	Representative David Casas	<b>Georgia Street Gang Terrorism Act</b>	Passed	Defines gangs and stiffer penalties.
*	HR 1396	Representative Willie Talton	<b>Authorizes study committee on state and local law enforcement salary survey.</b>	Passed	Committee to look at salaries. Committee will be abolished 12/31/06.
*	HR 1692	Representative Burke Day	<b>Comprehensive emergency preparedness and response training program.</b>	Passed	Encourages preparedness in large scale emergencies and encourages training.

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	SB 64	Senator John Douglas	<b>Permitting blue lights inside police vehicles (slick-top-cars).</b>	Passed	Several modifications include <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• must have an agency identifier in light bar</li> <li>• only sold to law enforcement</li> <li>• lights must conform with State Patrol specifications</li> <li>• driver may stop at a safe location</li> </ul>
	SB 381	Senator Seth Harp	<b>State Flags; qualifying public safety officers killed in the line of duty; honor service.</b>	Passed	Deceased public safety officer must have at least 5 years of service. Family would be entitled to a State Flag.
	SB 396	Senator Greg Goggans	<b>Crimes; person who is attacked has no duty to retreat; provide immunity from prosecution.</b>	Passed	
*	SB 462	Senator Joseph Carter	<b>Courthouse security plan.</b>	Passed	Sheriff must develop and implement a courthouse security plan and submit to judge. Judge can modify. Plan is confidential.

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	SB 529	Senator Chip Rogers	<b>Georgia Security/Immigration Compliance Act; persons who are not lawfully present in U. S.; comprehensive regulation.</b>	Passed	Law enforcement has obligations under this bill, ie: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Reasonable effort to determine the nationality of arrested subject.</li> <li>• Must query a law enforcement support center. If illegal, must notify U. S. Department of Homeland Security.</li> </ul>
*	SB 581	Senator Jeff Mullis	<b>Board of Public Safety, through GPSTC, may train medical personnel, EMT's, etc.</b>	Passed	
			<b><u>THE FOLLOWING BILLS DID NOT PASS</u></b>		
	HB 294	Representative Phyllis Miller	<b>Speed monitoring devices; photographic systems; provisions.</b>	Did not pass	
	HB 953	Representative Jill Chambers	<b>Changing definition of Law Enforcement officers.</b>	Did not pass	
	HB 973	Representative Wendell Willard	<b>Speed detection devices; law enforcement officers; change provisions.</b>	Did not pass	

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	HB 1001	Representative Burke Day	<b>Concealed weapon; transportation of; offense; change provisions.</b>	Did not pass	
	HB 1093	Representative Melvin Everson	<b>Arresting officers; non-traffic misdemeanor citation; provisions.</b>	Did not pass	
	HB 1222	Representative Mark Hatfield	<b>Motor Vehicles; operating while under the influence; comprehensive revision; modernization; reform laws of state.</b>	Did not pass	
*	HB 1234	Representative Jim Cole	<b>Constables carrying deadly weapons</b>	Did not pass	
	SB 400	Senator Ross Tolleson	<b>Motor Vehicles; law enforcement agencies; use of properly equipped all-terrain vehicles.</b>	Did not pass	
	SB 421	Senator Renee Unterman	<b>Criminal Procedure; non-traffic misdemeanor citation; provide conditions for issuance.</b>	Did not pass	
	SB 428	Senator Nancy Schaefer	<b>Controlled Substances; distribution in, on, or within real property on which a church is located; prohibited; penalties</b>	Did not pass	
	SB 502	Senator William Hamrick	<b>Motor Vehicles; operating while under the influence; comprehensive revision; modernization; reform laws of state.</b>	Did not pass	

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