



# THE STATE OF GEORGIA

## EXECUTIVE ORDER

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BY THE GOVERNOR:

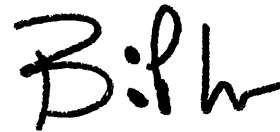
- WHEREAS:** House Bill 297, known as the Georgia Transportation Efficiency Authority Act, was passed by the Georgia General Assembly and is effective upon signature; and
- WHEREAS:** House Bill 297 dissolves the Georgia Regional Transportation Authority (GRTA) and all its responsibilities from state law and renames Atlanta-region Transit Link Authority (ATL) as the Georgia Transportation Efficiency Authority (GTEA), transferring all assets, obligations, employees, and responsibilities to GTEA; and
- WHEREAS:** House Bill 297 retains a limited set of activities and responsibilities from GRTA and ATL, which have been effective in implementing state policy and efficiently utilizing state taxpayer funds for transportation outcomes for Georgians; and
- WHEREAS:** Subject to Code Section 50-39-5, the GTEA Board of Directors will manage the business and affairs of the authority; and
- WHEREAS:** The 13-member GTEA board is comprised of eight members appointed by the Governor, at least five of which must reside within a compliance zone county, two by the President of the Senate, at least one of which must reside within a compliance zone county, two by the Speaker of the House, at least one of which must reside within a compliance zone county, and the Commissioner of the Georgia Department of Transportation; and
- WHEREAS:** House Bill 297 authorizes the Governor to designate a county as a compliance zone county for the purposes of the initial appointment of members of the board, and until any board action is taken; and
- WHEREAS:** The jurisdictional boundaries that applied to GRTA and ATL were Cherokee, Clayton, Cobb, Coweta, DeKalb, Douglas, Fayette, Forsyth, Fulton, Gwinnett, Henry, Paulding, and Rockdale Counties; and

**WHEREAS:** The counties included in the jurisdictional boundaries that applied to GRTA and ATL were designated by the United States Environmental Protection Agency in the Code of Federal Regulations on December 31, 1998, as counties which were included in whole or in part within a nonattainment area under the Federal Clean Air Act.

**NOW, THEREFORE, BY THE AUTHORITY VESTED IN ME AS GOVERNOR OF THE STATE OF GEORGIA, IT IS HEREBY**

**ORDERED:** Until such time as the GTEA Board acts, the compliance zone counties shall be designated as Cherokee, Clayton, Cobb, Coweta, DeKalb, Douglas, Fayette, Forsyth, Fulton, Gwinnett, Henry, Paulding, and Rockdale Counties.

This 12th day of May 2026.

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Bill", is positioned above a horizontal line.

GOVERNOR