House Bill 392 (AS PASSED HOUSE AND SENATE)
By: Representatives Wiedower of the 119th, Kelley of the 16th, Gaines of the 117th, Hitchens of the 161st, Clark of the 147th, and others

A BILL TO BE ENTITLED
AN ACT

To amend Title 45 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to public officers and employees, so as to provide expense allowance and travel cost reimbursement for members of the Board of Public Safety; to revise duties of the Secretary of State; to provide for related matters; to repeal conflicting laws; and for other purposes.

BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF GEORGIA:

SECTION 1.

Title 45 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to public officers and employees, is amended in Code Section 45-7-21, relating to expense allowance and travel cost reimbursement for members of certain boards and commissions, by revising subsection (a) as follows:

“(a) Each member of the boards and commissions enumerated in this Code section shall receive the same expense allowance per day as that received by a member of the General Assembly for each day such member of a board or commission is in attendance at a meeting of such board or commission, plus reimbursement for actual transportation costs while traveling by public carrier or the legal mileage rate for the use of a personal automobile in connection with such attendance. The expense allowance and reimbursement provided for in this Code section shall be paid in lieu of any per diem, allowance, or other remuneration now received by any such member for such attendance. The existing law relative to any limitation on the number of meeting days and remuneration for service on committees or subcommittees of any such board or commission shall remain in effect. The boards and commissions to which this Code section shall be applicable are as follows:

(1) State Board of Education;
(2) Board of Regents of the University System of Georgia;
(2.1) Board of Community Supervision;
(2.2) Board of Public Safety;
(3) Board of Corrections;
(4) Board of Economic Development;
(5) Board of Natural Resources;
(6) Georgia Emergency Communications Authority;
(7) Dental Education Board;
(8) Georgia Student Finance Commission;
(9) Veterans Service Board;
(10) Georgia Agricultural Exposition Authority;
(11) Georgia Board for Physician Workforce;
(12) Georgia Music Hall of Fame Authority;
(13) Georgia Sports Hall of Fame Authority;
(14) Georgia Rail Passenger Authority;
(15) Georgia Tobacco Community Development Board;
(16) State Board of the Technical College System of Georgia;
(17) Civil War Commission; and
(18) The delegation from the State of Georgia to the Southern Dairy Compact Commission.

SECTION 2.
Said title is further amended in Code Section 45-13-20, relating to duties of Secretary of State generally, by adding a new paragraph to read as follows:
"(14.1) To promulgate a regulation that establishes security protocols for voter registration information maintained and developed by the Secretary of State pursuant to Code Section 21-2-211 and 52 U.S.C. Section 21083. The regulation shall be generally consistent with current industry security standards, and in promulgating the regulation, the Secretary of State shall consider those security standards issued by the National Institute of Standards and Technology, the Center for Internet Security, and the federal Election Assistance Commission. The Secretary of State shall, at least annually, certify that the State of Georgia has substantially complied with the requirements of the regulation promulgated pursuant to this Code section;"

SECTION 3.
All laws and parts of laws in conflict with this Act are repealed.