

#### HCR 25B-1002: GOV PROCLAMATION ALLOW GA TO ADDRESS BUDGET

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**Fiscal note status:** The fiscal note reflects the introduced resolution.

## **Summary Information**

**Overview.** This concurrent resolution refers a ballot measure to voters at the November 2026 to create new requirements for the Governor when convening the General Assembly in a special legislative session to address a state revenue shortfall or other budgetary issue.

**Types of impacts.** The resolution is projected to affect the following areas on a conditional basis:

State Expenditures

Appropriations. No appropriation is required.

# Table 1 State Fiscal Impacts

Type of Impact	Current Year FY 2025-26	Budget Year FY 2026-27	Out Year FY 2027-28
State Revenue	\$0	\$0	\$0
State Expenditures	\$0	\$0	\$0
Transferred Funds	\$0	\$0	\$0
Change in TABOR Refunds	\$0	\$0	\$0
Change in State FTE	0.0 FTE	0.0 FTE	0.0 FTE

## **Summary of Legislation**

Under current law, the Governor may call a special legislative session for the General Assembly to address specific issues listed in the Governor's proclamation. This concurrent resolution requires the Governor's stated purposes for convening a special session to not narrowly frame the business so as to impose a particular outcome on the General Assembly.

If the Governor convenes a special session to address a state revenue shortfall or other budgetary issue, the resolution prohibits the Governor from limiting the scope of the session to only a portion of the budget.

## **State Expenditures**

### **Election Expenditures**

This bill includes a referred measure that will appear before voters at the November 2026 general election. While no additional appropriation is required, certain election costs are incurred by the state when ballot measures are referred. These include reimbursing counties for increased election costs, publishing the text and title of the measure in newspapers across the state, and preparing and mailing the Blue Book.

# **Future Budget Decisions**

The resolution, if adopted, may change the scope of future special legislative sessions called by the Governor and could lead to different decisions by the General Assembly regarding the state budget or other issues. These impacts cannot be predicted in advance and are dependent on a number of unknown factors.

#### **Effective Date**

If approved by voters at the 2026 election, this measure takes effect upon proclamation of the Governor, no later than 30 days after the official canvass of the vote is completed.

#### **State and Local Government Contacts**

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The revenue and expenditure impacts in this fiscal note represent changes from current law under the bill for each fiscal year. For additional information about fiscal notes, please visit the <u>General Assembly website</u>.