Georgia legislative history research entails looking at the steps taken by the Georgia General Assembly in order to pass a statute. This includes looking back at the voting that took place, the previous versions of the bill, the sponsors of the bill, and when it was first introduced. This can be accomplished by looking at the official sources, such as the respective Journals of the House of Representatives and the Senate, and the General Assembly website. Additionally, unofficial sources can be a great help with understanding the circumstances through which bills are passed. Such sources include: GPB video broadcasts of the legislature, various law review journals, and commercial databases.

Print Sources for Georgia Legislative History at the GSU Law Library

- Journal of the Georgia House of Representatives
  - Official Account of the legislative history of the Georgia House of Representatives.
  - Versions of the bills, votes, and amendments to the bills.
- Journal of the Georgia Senate
  - Official account of the legislative history of the Georgia State Senate.

Online Sources for Georgia Legislative History

- Georgia General Assembly Website
  - Full texts of bills and amendments, and information on representatives.
  - The bill status information includes sponsors, detailed status history, First Reader summaries votes, and versions of the texts of the bills. You can search for bills by topic, bill number, and code number.
  - Live broadcast of House & Senate chambers.
- Georgia Bar Legislative Tracking
  - Tracks current Bills in the state legislature.
  - Online: [http://www.gabar.org/committeesprogramssections/programs/leg/tracking.cfm](http://www.gabar.org/committeesprogramssections/programs/leg/tracking.cfm)
- Georgia Public Broadcasting: Free Resource
  - Video broadcasts of the Georgia Legislature.
  - Includes archives and daily updates.
  - Online: [http://www.gpb.org/lawmakers](http://www.gpb.org/lawmakers)
• Georgia State University Law Review – Peach Sheets
  o Contain information written by Law students on the passage of laws in the Georgia Legislature since 1985.
  o Online: http://scholarworks.gsu.edu/gsulr/vol1/iss1/
  o Print: Located in the Georgia Reference Section
• Mercer Law Review – Annual Survey of Georgia Laws
  o An overview of some of the legislation passed in the past year.
  o Written by law students.
  o Online: http://www2.law.mercer.edu/lawreview/onlineissues.cfm
  o Print: Legal Periodicals
• Lexis Advance– Georgia Legislative Bill History
  o Each document provides helpful insight into the legislative history of a particular Bill, Resolution, Ballot Measure, Executive Order, Amendment, or other legislation.
  o Online: https://advance.lexis.com/GoToContentView?requestid=cb415df6d7f-ba30-4531-c8a8ab92bb5b&crid=b814237-bc68-9858-dcoe-1f073d9116af
• WestlawNext – Georgia Legislative History tool
  o Bill Analysis, Governors Messages, and Votes
  o Online: https://1.next.westlaw.com/Browse/Home/LegislativeHistory/GeorgiaLegislativeHistory?contextData=(sc.Default)&transitionType=Default