



2018 Legislative Agenda

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Transit Governance & Funding

GTA urges the General Assembly to create a permanent reliable state funding stream for the operating and capital needs of Georgia's urban, suburban, and rural transit systems, and to create a statewide transit governance framework with sustainable funding for Georgia's 120+ local transit systems, which are delivering mobility for life-sustaining services every day.

- **Transit Governance**
- **Needs for Additional Resources / Operations Funding**
- **New Potential Revenue Sources**



Maximizing Impact of T-SPLOST Provisions

GTA urges the General Assembly to amend the new T-SPLOST law to allow for a longer period of tax collection (at least 20 years) for jurisdictions that wish to present their voters with a transit investment program, and also allow for counties to join together to fund regional public transit projects.

- **Tax duration**
- **Capital Projects**
- **Public / Private Partnerships**
- **Cross-Jurisdictional Projects**



Motor Fuel Tax Exemption Reinstitution

GTA requests that the General Assembly enact legislation establishing a permanent exemption from taxes paid on motor fuel purchases by transit systems.

- **Rolled back in 2015**
- **Increase in gas tax has exacerbated impact**
- **Also includes compressed natural gas**



Regional Transportation Planning & Service Coordination

GTA requests the General Assembly pass legislation authorizing the establishment of a comprehensive regionalized transportation, planning and delivery process, including the coordination of human services transportation, with a statewide focus on strategic planning for transit.

- **General Assembly eliminated the Georgia Coordinating Committee for Rural & Health Services Transportation**
- **Need for leadership under which strategies can be formulated**
- **Increase opportunity for tapping into existing federal funding**

Questions?

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