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**THE SENATE COMMITTEE ON SPECIAL JUDICIARY  
2019-2020 COMMITTEE RULES**

Each member of the Committee should be mindful of the Senate Rules, especially regarding attendance.

1. A Quorum of the Committee shall be 5 members.
2. The Chairwoman shall determine which bills and resolutions are to be considered and the order in which said measures are considered.
3. The Chairwoman shall have the authority to refer bills and resolutions to Subcommittees for study. Such Subcommittees in turn shall have the authority to make recommendations on such measures to the full Committee at such a time as shall be designated by the Chairwoman.
4. The Committee shall convene, recess, and adjourn upon the order of the Chairwoman.
5. A bill or resolution will be considered only after presentation by its principal author or other legislator whose name appears first or second on the list of authors or co-sponsors, unless the author or co-sponsor has made other arrangements with the Chairwoman.
6. No member of the Committee shall be allowed to vote by proxy.
7. Members may not abstain from voting unless the member or any member of the Senator's immediate family has a direct pecuniary interest in the result of such vote, which interest is distinct, unique, or peculiar to the Senator or the Senator's immediate family.
8. Any member of the Committee who disagrees with the majority report of the Committee shall be privileged to file a minority report if they so desire.
9. These Rules may be amended upon a motion duly made and subsequently approved by two thirds of the members of the Committee.
10. Where these Rules are silent on a specific issue, the Rules of the Senate as adopted shall govern.

**Minutes of the Senate Committee on Special Judiciary**  
**Friday, June 19, 2020**

The Senate Committee on Special Judiciary met on Friday, June 19, 2020 at 8:00 a.m. in Room 310 of the Coverdell Legislative Office Building. The following Committee Members were in attendance:

Sen. Jen Jordan (6th), Chairwoman  
Sen. Donzella James (35th), Vice-Chairwoman  
Sen. Elena Parent (42nd), Secretary (*arrived late*)  
Sen. Tonya Anderson (43rd) (*arrived late*)  
Sen. Sally Harrell (40th)  
Sen. Zahra Karinshak (48th) (*left early*)  
Sen. Sheikh Rahman (5th)  
Sen. Nikema Williams (39th)

Chairwoman Jordan (6th) called the meeting to order at 8:00 a.m.

**[HB 903](#) (Rep. Dollar, 45th, LC 41 2225) Motor vehicles; issuance of a traffic citation to a vehicle owner in lieu of the individual operating the motor vehicle in certain instances; provide**

The Chair recognized Sen. Burt Jones (25th) for the purpose of presenting the bill. Sen. Jones (25th) presented the bill to the Committee.

**NOTE:** Sen. Parent (42nd) arrived at 8:10 a.m.

**NOTE:** Sen. Anderson (43rd) arrived at 8:18 a.m.

The Chair opened the floor for comments from the public. She recognized the following:

*Testimony in favor of the Bill:*

Wendi Clifton of the Georgia Professional Sports Integrity Alliance

*Testimony in opposition to the Bill:*

None

The Chair opened the floor for debate and amendment.

The Chair recognized Sen. Williams (39th) who made a motion that **HB 903 Do Pass by Substitute (LC 36 4404S)**. Sen. James (35th) seconded the motion. The motion passed by a vote of 5-2.

Sen. James (35th), Sen. Parent (42), Sen. Anderson (43), Sen. Karinshak (48), Sen. Williams (39) voted in favor of the motion.

Sen. Harrell (40th) and Sen. Rahman (5th) voted against the motion.

**Committee Recommendation: HB 903 DO PASS BY SUBSTITUTE (LC 36 4404S)**

**NOTE:** Sen. Karinshak (48th) left at 8:29

**HB 859 (Rep. Pirkle, 155th, LC 39 2591S) Motor vehicles; tinting of windows or windshields; provide maximum monetary penalty**

The Chair recognized Rep. Clay Pirkle (155th) for the purpose of presenting the bill. Rep. Pirkle (155th) presented the bill to the Committee.

The Chair recognized Sen. Williams (39th) who moved that House Bill 859 be tabled. Sen. Harrell (40th) seconded the motion. The motion passed by a vote of 5-1.

Sen. Sen. Parent (42nd), Sen. Anderson (43rd), Sen. Harrell (40th), Sen. Rahman (5th), Sen. Williams (39th) voted in favor of the motion.

Sen. James voted against the motion.

**Committee Recommendation: HB 859 (LC 39 2591S) No action was taken.**

Chairwoman Jordan (6th) adjourned the meeting at 8:40 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

/s/ Sen. Elena Parent (42nd), Secretary

/s/ Maggie Haisty, Recording Secretary

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June 29, 2020

Mr. David Cook  
Secretary of Senate  
State Capitol  
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RE: Senate Committee on Special Judiciary- 2020 General Assembly Legislative Session

Dear Secretary Cook,

The Senate Committee on Special Judiciary respectfully submits the following bills left in the committee after the 2020 General Assembly Legislative Session. They include the following:

SB 69, SB 178, HB 247, HB 859

Listed below are the bills that passed out of the Senate Committee on Special Judiciary for the 2020 General Assembly Legislative Session. They include the following:

HB 903

Thank you.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Margaret Haisty".

Senator Jen Jordan, 6<sup>th</sup>  
Chairwoman  
Senate Committee on Special Judiciary

Margaret Haisty  
Legislative Assistant  
Senate Committee on Special Judiciary