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Senator Heath Joins Senate Policy Group

ATLANTA (Sept. 10, 2009) – State Senator Bill Heath (R- Bremen,) has been selected as a member of the new Senate Policy Group, which is actively engaged in creating a policy agenda for the 2010 Legislative Session. Members of the policy group include Chairman and Majority Leader Chip Rogers(R-Cherokee), Senators Mitch Seabaugh (R-Newnan), Chip Pearson (R-Dawsonville), and Bill Cowsert (R-Athens).

"Solving Georgia's problems cannot be limited to four months out of the year. Georgians are facing many challenges this year, and it's the legislature's job to meet those challenges head on. I encourage my colleagues and constituents to share with me their greatest concerns. This policy group will be able to craft solutions to our state's biggest challenges with citizens' input," said Heath.

Members of the group were chosen based upon a level of interest and a desire to put in the necessary hours to form a comprehensive policy agenda. The Georgia Legislature operates on a 40 non-consecutive day legislative session during the year according to the Georgia Constitution. Over the past few years, legislative leaders have shifted those days to the beginning of each year within a four-month time period in order to conduct more efficient legislative sessions. The 2010 Legislative Session begins on January 11, 2010.

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Sen. Bill Heath serves as Chairman of the Retirement Committee and Governor Sonny Perdue's Floor Leader in the Senate. He represents the 31st Senate District which consists of Haralson and Polk counties and portions of Bartow and Paulding counties. He may be reached at 404.651.7738 or by email at bill.heath@billheath.net.