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Georgia Legislature. The Georgia legislature announced on March 13, 2020, that the legislative session would be suspended indefinitely via [House Resolution 1473](#). Prior to suspending the legislative session, the General Assembly passed [House Bill 792](#), which transferred \$100.0 million from the Revenue Shortfall Reserve to combat the spread of COVID-19. Governor Brian P. Kemp issued Executive Order [3.14.20.01](#), declaring a State of Emergency, on March 14, 2020, and the Georgia Department of Public Health issued an Administrative Order directing persons with known or suspected COVID-19 to isolate themselves.

Related Information. Additional Executive Orders in Georgia related to COVID-19 include:

- Executive Order [3.14.20.02](#), calling the Georgia National Guard to active duty for preparation for and response to COVID-19.
- Executive Order [3.16.20.01](#), closing public elementary, secondary, and postsecondary schools from March 18, 2020, to March 31, 2020.
- Executive Order [3.20.20.01](#), authorizing a transfer of approximately \$19.5 million from the Governor's Emergency Fund to be credited to appropriation accounts.
- Executive Order [3.20.20.02](#), reducing certain regulations to assist the state's response to the spread of COVID-19.
- Executive Order [3.23.20.01](#), limiting large gatherings statewide and ordering "shelter in place" for specific populations, and closing bars and nightclubs for 14 days.
- Executive Order [3.23.20.02](#), expanding lapsed, expired, or temporary licensing of certain medical professions to assist the state's response to the spread of COVID-19.
- Executive Order [3.24.20.01](#), reducing restrictions for child care learning centers and family child learning homes throughout the state.
- Executive Order [3.26.20.01](#), authorizing the Commissioner of Labor to suspend or waive certain restrictions and regulations concerning the state's unemployment insurance.
- Executive Order [3.26.20.02](#), extending the closure of public elementary, secondary, and postsecondary schools through April 24, 2020.

As of March 26, 2020, there are 1,525 confirmed COVID-19 cases in Georgia with 478 total cases requiring hospitalization and 48 deaths.

Sources: [Georgia Department of Public Health](#)
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