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Mr. Barron:

For the last several months, the Georgia General Assembly has been working through both hearings and legislation to ensure the integrity of Georgia's elections process in the aftermath of the 2020 primary and general election cycles. I am sure you would agree that it is paramount to the functioning of our government that citizens have the opportunity to participate in free and fair elections and that those same citizens have every confidence in the veracity of the results reported.

Recently, media reports have surfaced which call into question the way in which Fulton County conducted, counted and audited the November 2020 Presidential Election. These reports have been accompanied by video and other evidence which is part of on-going litigation and requires thorough examination and explanation. Given the seriousness of this situation and the possible repercussions for our state and nation, it is time we have an independent investigation – once and for all – of the way in which Fulton County conducted, counted and audited the November 2020 Presidential Election.

To that end, it is my urgent recommendation that your office request that the Georgia Bureau of Investigation conduct its own, independent forensic investigation into the November 2020 Presidential Election in Fulton County. The GBI will follow the evidence wherever it may lead to determine if any irregularities or willful fraud occurred. The professionals at the GBI have the expertise and resources necessary to perform such an investigation. Furthermore, as sworn law enforcement officers, they have the trust of the public to ensure that the law was followed.

In the General Assembly we will continue to do all that we can to uphold the public trust. I hope that your office will do the same. I thank you for your consideration of this urgent request.

Sincerely,  
David Ralston  
Speaker of the House

Copy: Director Vic Reynolds, Georgia Bureau of Investigation