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Georgia Government Make Up

Governor
Brian Kemp (R)
Elected in 2018

Attorney General
Chris Carr (R)
Elected in 2018

Legislature
State Senate
34 Republicans | 22 Democrats
State House of Representatives
103 Republicans | 77 Democrats

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Pro-Choice Candidates

U.S. House:
- Bishop (GA-02)
- Johnson (GA-04)
- Williams (GA-05)
- McBath (GA-07)
- Scott (GA-13)

Statewide:
- Abrams (D-Governor)
- Jordan (D-Attorney General)
- Warnock (D-Senate)

These candidates have been endorsed by reproductive rights groups such as NARAL and Planned Parenthood. This list is not inclusive of all pro-choice candidates in the state.

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