

Georgia insight

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"She hath done what she could."
Mark, 14:8a

S.R. 7: ACORN Bill Stalled in Senator Balfour's Rules Committee

Since ACORN receives federal money, taxpayers are funding the demise of honest elections!

"DOJ has thrown open the door for activist organizations such as ACORN to register non-citizens to vote in Georgia's elections, and the state has no ability to verify an applicant's citizenship status or whether the individual even exists." – Secretary of State News, Secretary of State Karen Handel, Press Release June 1, 2009

S.R. 7, introduced by Senator Mullis January 13th, the second day of the session, urges an IRS investigation of ACORN's fraudulent activities and the removal of its tax-exempt status.

Many folks are aware of two drastically diverse acorns. One is the power-packed tiny acorn from which a mighty oak grows. The other is the Association of Community Organizations for Reform Now (ACORN), from which questionable things grow. The mighty oak provides shade from the sun. ACORN uses "shady" activities to affect our elections. For example:

- Over a dozen states are investigating ACORN for multiple fraudulent voter registrations.
- In Ohio, one individual signed 73 voter registration applications during a five-month span.
- In Connecticut, ACORN tried to register a seven-year-old girl by using a false birth date.
- In Nevada, ACORN has been accused of registering dead people and members of the Dallas Cowboys, among the thousands of fraudulent voter registration forms it submitted in 2008.
- Also in Nevada, ACORN is accused of setting daily quotas of 21 new voters and paying bonuses averaging \$17 for each voter signed over the quota of 21. Both practices are illegal.
- The Las Vegas voter registrar believes 48 percent of registrations from ACORN are frauds.
- In Pennsylvania, ACORN submitted at least 1,500 fraudulent registrations during the 2008 campaign and seven ACORN workers are charged with falsifying voter registration forms.
- Pennsylvania also charged an ACORN worker with 17 counts of ID theft and voter forgery.
- In Washington State an ACORN worker was convicted of submitting false registrations for almost 2,000 fictitious persons in 2007 (huge bonus). Also in 2007, Washington fined ACORN \$25,000 after convicting several ACORN employees of voter registration fraud.
- Eight national board members were fired in 2008 after asking for an audit of ACORN books.

Taxpayers Fund ACORN

Since 1994, ACORN activists have received \$53 million in federal funds and could access \$3 *billion* in the February stimulus bill, plus another \$5.5 *billion* from the 2010 federal budget. So, Taxpayers are supporting ACORN's estimated 270 related corporations and "non-profits".

With a unanimous yes-vote, the House Financial Services Committee passed Representative Michelle Bachmann's (R-MN) amendment to the Mortgage Reform & Anti-Predatory Lending Act to stop giving Mortgage Reform money to organizations indicted for voter registration fraud or vote fraud. However, committee chairman Barney Frank (D-MA), who apologized for not reading it before voting yes, will counter her amendment with another one, so indicted organizations can get tax money *if they've not been convicted!* But, with or without the Mortgage Reform money, ACORN can access funding in the stimulus bill and the 2010 budget.

ACTION – Support Georgia's S.R. 7. It remains in committee and is still alive for the 2010 session. Contact Rules Committee Chairman Senator Balfour, 404 656-0095, and ask him to give S.R. 7 top priority and pass it next session.

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Q. Who's Obtaining & Recording GPS Coordinates of Your Front Door?

A. 140,000 "Enumerators" Swarming the U.S., Preparing for the 2010 Census

By gerrymandering House districts, census numbers can be used to guarantee which party wins elections and determine how much of \$300 billion in federal funds states and local governments receive annually.



If you're outside and a stranger approaches, you might yell, "Hello, here I am!" But, if he says nothing, goes to your door, punches a small machine and walks away, what would you think? After that happened in North Georgia, my friend did a little research and learned that strangers with hand-held computers were doing the same everywhere. An "enumerator" in Idaho said the Census Bureau hired 140,000 people to get GPS coordinates for all residential front doors in the U.S. and they are authorized to climb locked gates and disregard "NO TRESPASSING" signs.

When a Boise, Idaho resident decided to charge a GPS worker with trespassing, she was told federal authority trumps state law and was referred to a federal law allowing \$500 fines for not providing census data. But, locking GPS coordinates into a computer is *not* taking a census.

The title of the March 25, 2009 Census Bureau article announcing the GPS project was "Census Workers to Verify Addresses in the U.S. First Major 2010 Census Operation to Employ 140,000." The article revealed a massive operation to be launched March 30th to verify and update over 145 million addresses, in preparation for the 2010 Census. The 140,000 began the 90-day project a week early, setting the expected completion in mid-July. Also, for the first time ever, the census will be taken on group¹ quarters – dormitories, group homes, prisons and homeless shelters – and early in 2010 new home construction will be added.

The *Canada Free Press* explained this in J.B. Williams' April 29th article entitled, "Obama and ACORN GPS Marking EVERY Front Door in America?" Williams, also, said Obama's first choice for Secretary of Commerce, Republican Senator Judd Gregg, refused that appointment after learning "control of the U.S. Census was being stripped from the Commerce Department and placed under direct control of Rahm Emanuel, the White House Chief of Staff."

ACTION – Oppose moving the census into the White House. Ask your (a) U.S. Representative and both (b) U.S. Senators Chambliss and Isakson to return the Census to the Department of Commerce. Call toll-free in D.C: 1 877 851-6437. Don't know your representative's name? The local library can tell you.

Enlightening Quotes

"I've always remembered what Joseph Stalin said,

'Those who cast the votes decide nothing. Those who count the votes decide everything.'

The same principle applies to the census."

– Larry Sabato, Director, Center for Politics, University of Virginia, February 13, 2009

"ACORN signed on as a national partner with the Census Bureau in February 2009 to [assist in a door-to-door] count [of] every person in the U.S.

How much is a GPS grid of every American household worth to the enemies of America, both foreign and domestic? I'd estimate, PRICELESS." (emphasis in original)

– *Canada Free Press*, April 29, 2009

"With all of its political implications, hijacking the census from the Commerce Department and letting it be run out of Rahm's office is like putting PETA in charge of issuing hunting permits."

– *World Net Daily*, February 7, 2009

¹ Will census-taking in such quarters allow students and others to be counted twice – once at home and again in a group?
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Snellville Crematory Dispute Prompts Important New Law

H.B. 68, introduced by Representative Chuck Sims, passed both House and Senate the last day of the session. It authorizes (a) a “preneeds” contract for the disposition of bodies, whether the deceased died of natural causes or was the victim of a criminal act and (b) protects the use of subdivision homes. Effective July 1st, stand-alone crematories must be at least 1,000 feet from a residential subdivision that’s platted and recorded by the clerk of the county superior court.

Background. Snellville residents never dreamed their subdivision would house a crematorium. But it did. When the City Council retooled zoning laws in 2001, they did not require special approval for crematories. So, when a lovely brick home on a corner lot was marketed, zoning was changed to office-professional. The Cremation Society of the South bought the house and the city issued a building permit in May 2008, though the nearest home was only 278 feet away.

In February 2008 the mayor declared the project “past the point of no return,” but hundreds of residents bucked City Hall in July, protested the crematory as too close to their homes and requested an environmental impact study. That prompted a 90-day county moratorium on new building permits in office-professional zones and delayed the crematory’s opening. But, by using a license issued by the state in August, the crematory opened September 2, 2008.

Soon, a Snellville councilwoman introduced an air-quality control ordinance and Georgia’s Air Quality Act was reviewed. That caused revocation of the crematory’s operating license and the facility was ordered closed. The city named a new planning director and issued new zoning ordinances to eliminate crematories from city districts. Ironically, the Cremation Society of the South was “grandfathered in,” since it was a pre-existing business, but had to vacate the house.

What was Left Out of the New U.S. Capitol Visitors Center?

“Sadly, [the Visitor Center in Washington, D.C.] continues a growing trend of whitewashing God out of our history ... [The Center] is politically correct, left leaning, and secular in nature.” – Senator Jim DeMint

An original display at the Visitor Center stated incorrectly that the national motto is “E pluribus unum” or “Out of Many One” and did not mention the real U.S. motto, “In God We Trust”. But pressure from certain senators and representatives prompted revisions to accurately represent the “rich tradition of prayer, acknowledgement of God, and Judeo-Christian traditions.”

Complaints caused the Capitol Architect to put “In God We Trust” above the House speaker’s chair. It had been left out of the exhibit. He, also, had to add the Pledge of Allegiance in stone in a prominent place and correct the motto error by plastering over words incorrectly identifying “E pluribus unum” as the national motto. Other displays acclaimed AIDS demonstrations and Earth Day assemblies, but made no mention of such popular events as the National Days of Prayer or March for Life rallies or weekly church services held in the Capitol for over 70 years. Was it accidental that no mention was made of the Aitken Bible printed by an act of Congress?

The seven-year project, built *under* the U.S. Capitol, cost taxpayers \$621 million and opened in December 2008. Its 588,000 square feet were sufficient to display and explain the full history of the U.S., but visitors were shocked that there was no reference to the influence of God and the Christian faith on the founding and government of the United States, despite undisputed facts. For example: of those attending the Constitutional Convention in 1787, Christians were an overwhelming majority – 28 Episcopalians, 8 Presbyterian, 2 Methodists, 2 Lutherans, 2 Dutch Reformed, 2 Roman Catholics, 7 Congregationalists, 1 unknown and 3 Deists.

(Urgent Note! Please duplicate, distribute and act upon this page as soon as possible!)

Federal Issues Need Immediate ACTION!

H.R. 2454, Cap-and-Trade Climate Bill passed U.S. House 219 – 212.

- Implements the biggest tax hike in U.S. history and, by year 2035, will raise electric rates 90 percent, gas rates 74 percent, residential natural gas 55 percent, after adjusting for inflation.
- Coal will be lost as an energy supply, as deliberately higher taxes destroy the coal business.
- Costs households \$144.8 *billion* per year, reducing total household earnings by \$37.8 *billion*.
- Cuts 965,000 jobs, while each household pays \$1,145 more for energy every year.
- The annual U.S. economic output will be lowered by \$136 *billion*.

ACTION – Oppose Now. Contact U.S. Senators Chambliss and Isakson toll-free as follows:
Senator Chambliss in D.C., 1 800 234-4208; Senator Isakson in D.C., 1 877 851-6437

S.909, Hate Crimes Bill is in the Senate, House Version H.R. 1913 passed House 249 – 175.

- They're not defined, but "sexual orientation" and "gender" get extra victim-class protection.
- Pedophiles get hate crime protection, as will all 547 unusual sexual practices listed by APA.
- Hate crime becomes federal offense. If state laws convict and punish persons charged with crimes said to be caused by bias against gender or sexual orientation, the convicted can be tried again under federal law, convicted and fined again and get ten more years in prison.
- Ironically, it protects sex offenders more than the victims and weakens state sex crime laws. (A Disturbing Development: a senator plans to attach the hate crime bill to a National Defense Act, July 15th.)

ACTION – Oppose Now. Contact U.S. Senators Chambliss and Isakson toll-free as follows:
Senator Chambliss in D.C., 1 800 234-4208 and Senator Isakson in D.C., 1 877 851-6437.

The Best Medical Care in the World Could Become a Thing of the Past

Congressman Tom Price¹ has studied the various proposed government healthcare plans and has concluded that the inevitable outcome will be **rationed care**, denied or delayed care, fewer choices of procedures and less flexibility, along with fewer choices of drugs and doctors.

The president's 15-member² "Council for Comparative Effectiveness Research" will focus on dollars and cents, age and quality of life, when deciding the quality of care patients will receive. If a procedure or drug is deemed too expensive, it will not be allowed, regardless of its ability to save or improve life. That's the result under government-controlled healthcare.

State Senator Judson Hill³, of the Georgia Senate Health and Human Services Committee, calls the national health insurance plan a "federal takeover" of states' roles in regulating health insurance and a Tenth Amendment violation. He says, "The public plan and national health insurance exchange will squeeze out private insurance [and] mean socialized medicine later."

ACTION – Oppose Now. Call both Georgia U.S. Senators and your U.S. congressman.

(a) Call Senator Chambliss in D.C., 1 800 234-4208; Senator Isakson in D.C., 1 877 851-6437

(b) Call Your U.S. Representative, listed below by district. If you don't know your district, the public library can tell you.

1. Jack Kingston, 202 225-5831; 2. Sanford Bishop, 202 225-3631; 3. Lynn Westmoreland, 202 225-5901;

4. Hank Johnson, 202 225-1605; 5. John Lewis, 202 225-3801; 6. Tom Price, 202 225-4501; 7. John Linder, 202 225-4272; 8. Jim Marshall, 202 225-6531; 9. Nathan Deal, 202 225-5211; 10. Paul Broun, 202 225-4101; 11. Phil Gingrey, 202 225-2931; 12. John Barrow, 202 225-2823; 13. David Scott, 202 225-2939.

¹Congressman Tom Price, an orthopedic surgeon, chairs a 105-member Republican Study Committee organized to advance a conservative agenda. Dr. Price knows the medical business. He ran an Atlanta orthopedic clinic for 20 years; returned to Emory as assistant professor of orthopedic surgery and directed the orthopedic clinic at Grady Hospital.

²Not one of the president's appointees is an actively practicing physician, but will decide appropriate healthcare for all.

³In June Senator Hill and his colleagues at the American Legislative Exchange Council (ALEC) passed the *Resolution on Preserving States' Rights Regarding Federal Health Insurance Exchanges and a Public Plan*.

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