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GENERAL COMMENTS

This week has been a short week. We started off the week with the Martin Luther King, Jr. Holiday. Legislators were scheduled for budget hearings on Tuesday and Wednesday of this week. Unfortunately, Mother Nature had other plans with snow and ice. A State of Emergency was issued by Governor Deal for both Wednesday and Thursday of this week. Day 5 and Day 6 of the session were held though there was a delayed start to Day 5. The big news of the week is that Atlanta has been included on Amazon’s short list for its second headquarters.

NEW LEGISLATION THAT WE ARE TRACKING THIS WEEK

[HB 676–Property](#), by Rep. Paulette Rakestraw (R), Powder Springs, relates to mortgages, conveyances to secure debt, and liens, in general, so as to provide protections for military service members in the event of foreclosures or other proceedings to enforce secured obligations; to define a term; to provide for applicability; to provide for related matters; to repeal conflicting laws; and for other purposes. The bill was assigned to the Banks & Banking Committee. We will monitor this bill throughout the session.

OTHER LEGISLATION WE ARE TRACKING THAT HAD ACTIVITY THIS WEEK

[SB 194–Garnishments](#), by Sen. Jesse Stone (R), Waynesboro, was recommitted by the Senate to the Judiciary Committee on January 8, 2018. The Judiciary Committee held a hearing on January 18th for this bill.

FINAL COMMENTS

For a recap of key legislative issues throughout the session, please follow CBA's weekly *Legislative Updates* sponsored by **James-Bates-Brannan-Groover-LLP**, CBA's General Counsel, and provide us with any feedback or questions that you may have. If you have any questions before or during the session, please contact [Rob Braswell](#) or [Lori Godfrey](#) by email or by calling the CBA office at (770)541-4490 / (800)648-8215. We continue to welcome and appreciate comments and input from community bankers regarding specific legislation and legislative issues. We look forward to seeing you at **CBA's Day at the Capitol Reception** scheduled from 3:30-6:00PM on Wednesday, February 7, 2018

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