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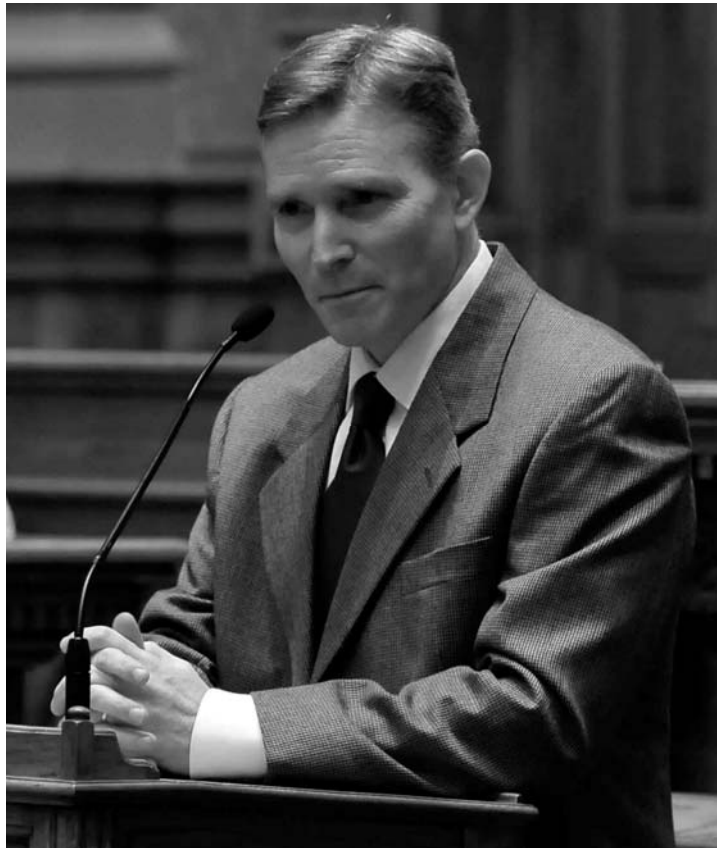
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JEFF LEWIS ELECTED TO TRANSPORTATION BOARD *Former State House Member to Represent 11th Congressional District*

ATLANTA – Former State Representative Jeff Lewis was elected to the State Transportation Board on Wednesday by a caucus of state representatives and senators from the 11th Congressional District. Lewis' term will begin April 15, 2011.

"I am truly honored to have been chosen for this important position," Lewis said, pledging to keep an open line of communication with legislators. "I believe I have a good reputation for working well with others. I look forward to joining the Board and using my General Assembly experience to be an active transportation advocate for all of the areas that encompass the 11th Congressional District as well as all Georgia short-term and long-term transportation needs."



Former State Representative Jeff Lewis was elected to represent the 11th Congressional District on the State Transportation Board

A Rome native now residing in Cartersville, Lewis served Bartow County residents for 16 years as a State Representative from District 15. He served as Chairman of the House Energy, Utilities and Telecommunications Committee.

A graduate of the Jacksonville State University with a Bachelor of Arts in Political Science and Philosophy and an MBA in Economics and Finance, Lewis is a self-employed small businessman.

Lewis is a member of the Cartersville Bartow County Chamber of Commerce, the Cartersville Exchange Club, the Cartersville Lions Club and the Georgia Speakers Association. He and his wife Kim have two children, McCall and Parker.

The Georgia Department of Transportation is governed by the State Transportation Board. Its 13 members, representing each of the state's congressional districts, exercise general control and supervision of the Department. Each member serves a five-year term and the terms are staggered. Board members are elected by the state representatives and senators whose legislative districts fall within all or part of the congressional district.

The Georgia Department of Transportation is committed to providing a safe, seamless and sustainable transportation system that supports Georgia's economy and is sensitive to both its citizens and its environment. Additional transportation revenues are imperative to grow and sustain Georgia's economic vitality and quality of life through the 21st Century. Georgia is the 3rd fastest-growing state in the nation, yet 49th in per capita spending on transportation. For general information on the Georgia DOT, please visit (www.dot.ga.gov).

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