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GACVB 2018 State Legislative Agenda

- Oppose legislation that allows discrimination
- 2. Protect Georgia's hotel-motel taxes from redirection
- **3.** Increase investment in Georgia's tourism marketing
- **4.** Establish new school-start and school-end date policies

Tourism in Georgia:

- generated a record-breaking \$61.1 billion in business sales in 2016, up 3.5%*
- sustained an estimated 450,000 jobs directly or indirectly, making it the state's 5th largest employer
- resulted in \$3 billion in state and local tax revenues collected
- benefited every household with savings of over \$800 annually in state and local taxes

*Source: U.S. Travel Association and Tourism Economics. Includes direct, indirect and induced impact. Total impact figure includes capital investment, government spending and construction.



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