Stamp Act

1765

- Direct tax on newspapers, legal documents, and licenses
- Colonist reaction to tax was swift and violent
- Stamp Act Congress formed where leaders made formal speeches to show dislike
- Citizens reacted more violently and protested by hanging effigies
- "Sons of Liberty" and "Liberty Boys" in GA were groups that opposed the Stamp Act
- British Parliament eventually repealed the Stamp Act but issued other acts to collect taxes
- Georgia's response to tax was not as violent because of the close ties to Great Britain
- Georgia was the only colony to sell the stamp