

House Bill 1065

By: Representatives Holcomb of the 81st, Caldwell of the 20th, Bennett of the 80th, Turner of the 21st, Frye of the 118th, and others

A BILL TO BE ENTITLED
AN ACT

1 To amend Chapter 1 of Title 28 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to
2 general provisions relative to the General Assembly, so as to provide for rules of the House
3 of Representatives and the Senate governing the submission of written or prerecorded
4 audio-visual statements by members of the general public to standing committees regarding
5 legislation in possession of such standing committees; to repeal conflicting laws; and for
6 other purposes.

7 BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF GEORGIA:

8 **SECTION 1.**

9 Chapter 1 of Title 28 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to general
10 provisions relative to the General Assembly, is amended by adding a new Code section to
11 read as follows:

12 "28-1-18.

13 Not later than January 17, 2017, the House of Representatives and the Senate shall each
14 adopt rules governing the submission of written or prerecorded audio-visual statements by
15 members of the general public to standing committees of the House and Senate,
16 respectively, regarding pending legislation which is in the possession of such standing
17 committees. Such rules shall provide for procedures, format, length, means, and custody
18 of such submissions and for making such submissions available as promptly as feasible to
19 members of the appropriate standing committees for their review."

20 **SECTION 2.**

21 All laws and parts of laws in conflict with this Act are repealed.