

House Bill 136

By: Representatives Petrea of the 166th, Sainz of the 180th, Hitchens of the 161st, Collins of the 71st, Martinez of the 111th, and others

A BILL TO BE ENTITLED
AN ACT

1 To amend Title 42 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to penal institutions,
2 so as to require the commissioner of corrections to report certain information regarding the
3 immigration status, offenses, and home countries of persons who are confined under the
4 authority of the Department of Corrections; to provide for related matters; to provide an
5 effective date; to repeal conflicting laws; and for other purposes.

6 BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF GEORGIA:

7 **SECTION 1.**

8 Title 42 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to penal institutions, is amended
9 in Article 1 of Chapter 1, relating to inmate policies, by adding a new Code section to read
10 as follows:

11 "42-1-11.4.

12 The commissioner shall, on the official website used by the department, publish a report
13 of aggregate data on the immigration status, offenses, and home countries of inmates who
14 are not United States citizens and who are confined under the authority of the department
15 and, with regard to the total population in confinement, the percentage that comprises
16 persons who are not citizens of the United States. Such report shall be first published on

17 October 1, 2023, and every 90 days thereafter; provided, however, that if the ninetieth day
18 falls on a state holiday or Saturday or Sunday, then such report shall be published the next
19 business day."

20 **SECTION 2.**

21 This Act shall become effective upon approval by the Governor or upon becoming law
22 without such approval.

23 **SECTION 3.**

24 All laws and parts of laws in conflict with this Act are repealed.