

House Bill 27

By: Representatives Thomas of the 65th, Lim of the 98th, and Jackson of the 128th

A BILL TO BE ENTITLED
AN ACT

1 To amend Article 1 of Chapter 9 of Title 50 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated,
2 relating to general provisions of the Georgia Building Authority, so as to establish a program
3 to design and construct a new state facility in partnership with Georgia colleges and
4 universities; to provide for related matters; to provide for a short title; to repeal conflicting
5 laws; and for other purposes.

6 BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF GEORGIA:

7 **SECTION 1.**

8 This Act shall be known and may be cited as the "Georgia Emerald Green Jobs Act."

9 **SECTION 2.**

10 Article 1 of Chapter 9 of Title 50 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to
11 general provisions of the Georgia Building Authority, is amended by adding a new Code
12 section to read as follows:

13 "50-9-18.

14 (a) There is hereby established the Emerald Fellows Program of the authority for the
15 purpose of conceptualizing, designing, and constructing the Global Emerald Ecological
16 Center.

17 (b) In carrying out the Emerald Fellows Program, the authority shall request bids for the
18 Global Emerald Ecological Center. Bids shall be submitted with the assistance of ten
19 fellows from Georgia colleges and universities who shall be hired by the authority.

20 (c) The goal of the Global Emerald Ecological Center shall be to serve as the most
21 environmentally sustainable state facility in Georgia. The purpose of the facility shall be
22 to provide tours and workshops, hold meetings, and create sustainable projects."

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SECTION 3.

24 All laws and parts of laws in conflict with this Act are repealed.