

House Bill 483

By: Representatives Neal of the 2nd, Ramsey of the 72nd, Tankersley of the 160th, Abrams of the 89th, Weldon of the 3rd, and others

A BILL TO BE ENTITLED
AN ACT

1 To amend Code Section 17-10-7 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to
2 punishment for repeat offenders, so as to change provisions relating to ineligibility for parole
3 under certain circumstances; to provide for related matters; to repeal conflicting laws; and
4 for other purposes.

5 BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF GEORGIA:

6 style="text-align:center">**SECTION 1.**

7 Code Section 17-10-7 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to punishment for
8 repeat offenders, is amended by revising subsection (c) as follows:

9 "(c)(1) Except as otherwise provided in subsection (b) or (b.1) of this Code section or
10 paragraph (2) of this subsection, any person who, after having been convicted under the
11 laws of this state for three felonies or having been convicted under the laws of any other
12 state or of the United States of three crimes which if committed within this state would
13 be felonies, commits a felony within this state shall, upon conviction for such fourth
14 offense or for subsequent offenses, serve the maximum time provided in the sentence of
15 the judge based upon such conviction and shall not be eligible for parole until the
16 maximum sentence has been served.

17 (2) The ineligibility for parole described in paragraph (1) of this subsection shall not
18 apply when the person's fourth or subsequent offense is a conviction for any violation of
19 subsection (a), paragraph (1) of subsection (i), or subsection (j) of Code Section
20 16-13-30. The provisions of this paragraph shall be applied retroactively."

21 style="text-align:center">**SECTION 2.**

22 All laws and parts of laws in conflict with this Act are repealed.