House Bill 534 (AS PASSED HOUSE AND SENATE)

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A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT

To amend Article 2 of Chapter 11 of Title 16 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, 1 2 relating to offenses against public order, so as to provide for the offense of promoting illegal 3 drag racing and laying drags; to provide for punishment; to amend Title 40 of the Official 4 Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to motor vehicles and traffic, so as to provide for the offense of reckless stunt driving; to provide for report of conviction of such offenses by 5 courts to the Department of Driver Services; to provide for conditions and limitations for 6 7 suspension of driver's license upon conviction; to provide for reinstatement of license after 8 suspension; to provide for classification as habitual violator; to provide for issuance of a 9 limited driving permit in certain instances; to provide for fees; to provide for punishment; to 10 provide for forfeiture of motor vehicle in certain instances; to provide for commission of 11 such offense in relation to homicide by vehicle, feticide by vehicle, serious injury by vehicle, 12 and aggressive driving; to provide for related matters; to provide for an effective date and 13 applicability; to repeal conflicting laws; and for other purposes.

14 BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF GEORGIA:

15	SECTION 1.
16	Article 2 of Chapter 11 of Title 16 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to
17	offenses against public order, is amended by adding a new Code section to read as follows:
18	″ <u>16-11-43.1.</u>
19	Any person who knowingly promotes or organizes an exhibition of illegal drag racing, in
20	violation of Code Section 40-6-186, or of laying drags, in violation of Code Section
21	40-6-251, shall be guilty of a misdemeanor of a high and aggravated nature."
22	SECTION 2.
23	Title 40 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to motor vehicles and traffic,
24	is amended in Code Section 40-5-53, relating to when courts to send licenses and reports of
25	convictions to department, destruction of license by department, and issuance of new license
26	upon satisfaction of certain requirements, by revising paragraph (3) of subsection (b) as
27	follows:
28	"(3) A report of any conviction for an offense covered under Code Section 40-5-54, or
29	Code Sections 40-6-391 40-6-390.1 through 40-6-395, or violating a federal law or

regulation or the law of any state or a valid municipal or county ordinance substantially
 conforming to any offense covered under Code Section 40-5-54 or Code Sections
 40-6-391 40-6-390.1 through 40-6-395, regardless of the date such report of conviction
 is received by the department, shall be considered for purposes of revoking a driver's
 license in accordance with Code Section 40-5-58."

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SECTION 3.

36 Said title is further amended by revising Code Section 40-5-57.2, which is reserved, as 37 follows:

38 ″40-5-57.2.

- 39 (a) The driver's license of any person convicted of reckless stunt driving in violation of
- 40 <u>Code Section 40-6-390.1 shall by operation of law be suspended, and such suspension shall</u>
- 41 <u>be subject to the following terms and conditions:</u>
- (1) Upon the first conviction of any such offense, with no arrest and conviction of and
 no plea of nolo contendere accepted to such offense within the previous five years, as
 measured from the dates of previous arrests for which convictions were obtained to the
 date of the current arrest for which a conviction is obtained, the period of suspension shall
 be up to 12 months, provided that such person may apply to the department for early
 reinstatement of his or her driver's license at the end of 120 days. Such license shall be
 reinstated upon payment of a restoration fee of \$210.00, or \$200.00 when such
- 49 <u>reinstatement is processed by mail;</u>
- 50 (2) Upon the second conviction of any such offense within five years, as measured from 51 the dates of previous arrests for which convictions were obtained to the date of the 52 current arrest for which a conviction is obtained, the period of suspension shall be for 53 three years, provided that such person may apply to the department for early 54 reinstatement of his or her driver's license after 18 months from the date of the 55 conviction. Such license shall be reinstated upon payment of a restoration fee of \$310.00, 56 or \$300.00 when such reinstatement is processed by mail; and
- 57 (3) Upon the third or subsequent conviction of any such offense within five years, as 58 measured from the dates of previous arrests for which convictions were obtained to the 59 date of the current arrest for which a conviction is obtained, such person shall be 60 considered a habitual violator, and such person's license shall be revoked as provided for 61 in Code Section 40-5-58. A person whose license has been suspended pursuant to this 62 subsection may, if eligible under Code Section 40-5-58, apply for a probationary license 63 pursuant to such Code section. A driver's license suspension imposed under this 64 paragraph shall run concurrently with and shall be counted toward the fulfillment of any
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- 65 period of revocation imposed directly under Code Sections 40-5-58 and 40-5-62, 66 provided that such revocation arose from the same act for which the suspension was 67 imposed. 68 (b) Whenever a person is convicted of reckless stunt driving in violation of Code Section 69 40-6-390.1, the court in which such conviction is entered shall require the surrender of any 70 driver's license then held by the person so convicted, and the court shall thereupon forward 71 such license and a copy of its order to the department within ten days after the conviction. 72 The method of calculating the periods of suspension provided for in this Code section shall 73 be governed by subsection (e) of Code Section 40-5-61. 74 (c) Application for reinstatement of a driver's license under paragraph (1) or (2) of 75 subsection (a) of this Code section shall be made on such forms as the commissioner may 76 prescribe and shall be accompanied by the applicable restoration fee. 77 (d) Except as provided in subsection (a) of this Code section, it shall be unlawful for any 78 person to operate any motor vehicle in this state after such person's license has been 79 suspended pursuant to this Code section if such person has not thereafter obtained a valid 80 license or limited permit. Any person who is convicted of operating a motor vehicle before 81 the department has reinstated such person's license or before obtaining a limited driving 82 permit or probationary license shall be punished by a fine of not less than \$750.00 nor more 83 than \$5,000.00 or by imprisonment in the penitentiary for not more than 12 months, or both. Reserved." 84
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SECTION 4.

- 86 Said title is further amended by revising Code Section 40-5-58, relating to habitual violators
- 87 and probationary licenses, as follows:
- "40-5-58. 88
- 89 (a) As used in this Code section, 'habitual violator' means any person who has been 90 arrested and convicted within the United States three or more times within a five-year

period of time, as measured from the dates of previous arrests for which convictions were
obtained to the date of the most recent arrest for which a conviction was obtained, of:

(1) Committing any offense covered under Code Section 40-5-54 or Code Sections
40-6-391 40-6-390.1 through 40-6-395 or violating a federal law or regulation or the law
of any state or a valid municipal or county ordinance substantially conforming to any
offense covered under Code Section 40-5-54 or Code Sections 40-6-391 40-6-390.1
through 40-6-395; or

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(2) Singularly or in combination, any of the offenses described in paragraph (1) of this subsection.

(b) When the records of the department disclose that any person is a habitual violator as
defined in subsection (a) of this Code section, the department shall forthwith notify such
person that his or her driver's license has been revoked by operation of law and that it shall
be unlawful for such habitual violator to operate a motor vehicle in this state unless
otherwise provided in this Code section. Notice shall be given by certified mail or
statutory overnight delivery, with return receipt requested; or, in lieu thereof, notice may
be given by personal service upon such person.

107 (c)(1) Except as provided in paragraph (2) of this subsection or in subsection (e) (d) of 108 this Code section, it shall be unlawful for any person to operate any motor vehicle in this 109 state after such person has received notice that his or her driver's license has been revoked 110 as provided in subsection (b) of this Code section, if such person has not thereafter 111 obtained a valid driver's license. Any person declared to be a habitual violator and whose 112 driver's license has been revoked under this Code section and who is thereafter convicted 113 of operating a motor vehicle before the department has issued such person a driver's 114 license or before the expiration of five years from such revocation, whichever occurs 115 first, shall be punished by a fine of not less than \$750.00 or by imprisonment in the 116 penitentiary for not less than one nor more than five years, or both. Any person declared 117 to be a habitual violator and whose driver's license has been revoked and who is

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118 convicted of operating a motor vehicle after the expiration of five years from such 119 revocation but before the department has issued such person a driver's license shall be 120 guilty of a misdemeanor.

121 (2) Any person declared to be a habitual violator as a result of three or more convictions 122 of violations of Code Section 40-6-391 within a five-year period of time, as measured 123 from the dates of previous arrests for which convictions were obtained to the date of the 124 most recent arrest for which a conviction was obtained, and who is thereafter convicted 125 of operating a motor vehicle during such period of revocation, prior to the issuance of a 126 probationary license under subsection (e) (d) of this Code section or before the expiration 127 of five years, shall be guilty of the felony of habitual impaired driving and shall be 128 punished by a fine of not less than \$1,000.00 or by imprisonment in the penitentiary for 129 not less than one nor more than five years, or both.

(d) Notwithstanding any contrary provisions of Code Section 17-7-95 or 24-4-410, for the
 purposes of this Code section, any plea of nolo contendere entered and accepted after
 January 1, 1976, shall be considered a conviction.

(e)(d)(1) Notwithstanding any contrary provisions of this Code section or any other Code
section of this chapter, any person who has been declared a habitual violator and who has
had his <u>or her</u> driver's license revoked under subsection (b) of this Code section for a
period of five years and two years have expired since the date on which such person's
license was surrendered or an affidavit was accepted as provided in subsection (e) of
Code Section 40-5-61 may be issued a probationary driver's license for a period of time
not to exceed three years upon compliance with the following conditions:

(A) Such person has not been convicted, or pleaded nolo contendere to a charge, of
violating any provision of this chapter, Chapter 6 of this title, or any local ordinance
relating to the movement of vehicles for a period of two years immediately preceding
the application for a probationary driver's license;

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(B) Such person has not been convicted, or pleaded nolo contendere to a charge, of a
violation of any provision of this chapter or Chapter 6 of this title which resulted in the
death or injury of any individual;

147 (C) Such person has successfully completed, prior to the issuance of the probationary
148 driver's license, a defensive driving course approved by the commissioner pursuant to
149 Code Section 40-5-83 or a DUI Alcohol or Drug Use Risk Reduction Program as
150 designated by the department;

151 (D) Reserved;

152 (E) Such person shall submit a sworn affidavit that such person does not excessively 153 use alcoholic beverages and does not illegally use controlled substances or marijuana 154 when a person has been declared a habitual violator based upon a violation of a state law or local ordinance involving Code Section 40-6-391. It shall be a misdemeanor to 155 156 falsely swear on such affidavit and, upon conviction, the probationary license shall be 157 revoked. No probationary license shall be issued during the remainder of the 158 revocation period, and no driver's license shall be issued for the remainder of the 159 original revocation period or for a period of two years from the date of conviction under 160 this subparagraph;

161 (F) Such person submits proof of financial responsibility as provided in Chapter 9 of162 this title; and

(G) Refusal to issue a probationary driver's license would cause extreme hardship to
the applicant. For the purposes of this subsection, the term 'extreme hardship' means
that the applicant cannot reasonably obtain other transportation, and, therefore, the
applicant would be prohibited from:

- 167 (i) Going to his <u>or her</u> place of employment or performing the normal duties of his
 168 <u>or her</u> occupation;
- 169 (ii) Receiving scheduled medical care or obtaining prescription drugs;

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- 170 (iii) Attending a college or school at which he or she is regularly enrolled as a student;
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- 172 (iv) Attending regularly scheduled sessions or meetings of support organizations for 173 persons who have addiction or abuse problems related to alcohol or other drugs, 174 which organizations are recognized by the commissioner; or
- 175 (v) Attending under court order any driver education or improvement school or 176 alcohol or drug treatment program or course approved by the court which entered the 177 judgment of conviction resulting in revocation of his or her driver's license or by the 178 commissioner.
- 179 (2) Application for a probationary driver's license shall be made upon such forms as the commissioner may prescribe. Such forms shall require such information as is necessary 180 for the department to determine the need for such license. All applications shall be 181 182 signed by the applicant before a person authorized to administer oaths.
- 183 (3) Upon compliance with the above conditions and the payment of a fee of \$210.00, or 184 \$200.00 when processed by mail, such person may be issued a probationary driver's license by the department. Upon payment of a fee in an amount the same as that provided 185 186 by Code Section 40-5-25 for issuance of a Class C driver's license, a person may be 187 issued a replacement for a lost or destroyed probationary driver's license issued to him 188 or her.
- 189 (4) A probationary driver's license shall be endorsed with such conditions as the 190 commissioner deems necessary to ensure that such license will be used by the licensee 191 only to avoid the conditions of extreme hardship. Such conditions may include the 192 following restrictions:
- 193 (A) Specific places between which the licensee may be allowed to operate a motor 194 vehicle;
- 195 (B) Routes to be followed by the licensee;
- 196 (C) Times of travel;

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197 (D) The specific vehicles which the licensee may operate; and

198 (E) Such other restrictions as the department may require.

(5) A probationary driver's license issued pursuant to this Code section shall become
invalid upon the expiration of the period of the suspension or revocation of the driver's
license of such person.

202 (6)(A)(i) Any probationary licensee violating the provisions of paragraph (4) of this
203 subsection or operating a vehicle in violation of any conditions specified in this
204 subsection shall be guilty of a misdemeanor.

(ii) Except as provided in division (iii) of this subparagraph, any probationary
licensee violating any state law or local ordinance involving an offense listed in Code
Section 40-5-54, 40-6-390.1, or Code Section 40-6-391 shall be guilty of a felony and
shall be punished by a fine of not less than \$1,000.00 or by imprisonment in the
penitentiary for not less than one nor more than five years, or both.

(iii) Any probationary licensee violating any state law or local ordinance involving
a felony offense listed in Code Section 40-5-54 shall be guilty of a felony and shall
be punished as is provided for conviction of such felony.

213 (B) Any probationary licensee who is convicted of violating, or who pleads nolo 214 contendere to a charge of violating, any state law or local ordinance involving an 215 offense listed in Code Section 40-5-54, 40-6-390.1, or Code Section 40-6-391 or any 216 probationary licensee who is convicted of violating, or who pleads nolo contendere to 217 a charge of violating, the conditions endorsed on his such license, shall have his or her 218 license revoked by the department. Any court in which such conviction is had or in 219 which said nolo contendere plea is accepted shall require the licensee to surrender the 220 license to the court. The court shall forward the license to the department within ten 221 days after the conviction or acceptance of the plea, with a copy of the conviction. Any 222 person whose probationary license is revoked for committing an offense listed in Code 223 Section 40-5-54, 40-6-390.1, or Code Section 40-6-391 shall not be eligible to apply

for a regular driver's license until the expiration of the original five-year revocation period during which the probationary license was originally issued or for a period of two years following the conviction, whichever is greater.

(C) If the commissioner has reason to believe or makes a preliminary finding that the
requirements of the public safety or welfare outweigh the individual needs of a person
for a probationary license, the commissioner, in his <u>or her</u> discretion, after affording the
person notice and an opportunity to be heard, may refuse to issue the license under this
subsection.

(D) Any person whose probationary driver's license has been revoked shall not be
eligible to apply for a subsequent probationary license under this Code section for a
period of five years.

(7) Any person whose probationary license has been revoked or who has been refused
a probationary license by the department may make a request in writing for a hearing to
be provided by the department. Such hearing shall be provided by the department within
30 days after the receipt of such request and shall follow the procedures required by
Chapter 13 of Title 50, the 'Georgia Administrative Procedure Act.' Appeal from such
hearing shall be in accordance with Chapter 13 of Title 50.

(f)(e) If a person's license was revoked for a violation of Code Section 40-6-391 resulting
from a motor vehicle collision in which any person lost his <u>or her</u> life, the person whose
license was revoked shall not be entitled to a probationary license as set forth in this Code
section."

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SECTION 5.

- 246 Said title is further amended in Code Section 40-5-64, relating to limited driving permits for
- 247 certain offenders, by revising subsections (a) and (e) as follows:

248 "(a) **To whom issued.** 249 (1) Notwithstanding any contrary provision of this Code section or Code Section 250 40-5-57, 40-5-57.2, 40-5-63, 40-5-75, 40-5-121, or 42-8-111, any person who has not 251 been previously convicted or adjudicated delinquent for a violation of Code Section 40-6-391 within five years, as measured from the dates of previous arrests for which 252 253 convictions were obtained or pleas of nolo contendere were accepted to the date of the 254 current arrest, may apply for a limited driving permit when that: 255 (A) That person's driver's license had a suspension imposed prior to July 1, 2015, under 256 Code Section 40-5-22 or that person's driver's license has been suspended in accordance 257 with subsection: 258 (i) Subsection (d) of Code Section 40-5-57, paragraph; 259 (ii) Paragraph (1) of subsection (a) of Code Section 40-5-57.2; 260 (iii) Paragraph (1) of subsection (a) of Code Section 40-5-63, paragraph; 261 (iv) Paragraph (1) of subsection (a) of Code Section 40-5-67.2, or subsection; or 262 (v) Subsection (a) of Code Section 40-5-57.1, when the person is 18 years of age or 263 older and his or her license was suspended for exceeding the speed limit by 24 miles 264 per hour or more but less than 34 miles per hour, and the; and 265 (B) The sentencing judge, in his or her discretion, decides it is reasonable to issue a 266 limited driving permit. 267 (2) No person who has been granted an exemption from the ignition interlock device 268 requirements of Article 7 of Chapter 8 of Title 42 due to undue financial hardship under 269 Code Section 42-8-111 shall be eligible for a limited driving permit, an ignition interlock 270 device limited driving permit, or any other driving privilege for a period of one year. 271 (3) To the extent a person is subject to more than one suspension for which a limited 272 driving permit may be issued, the department shall not issue such permit unless the 273 suspensions are for a conviction for driving under the influence in violation of Code 274 Section 40-6-391 imposed pursuant to Code Section 40-5-63 and an administrative

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suspension imposed pursuant to paragraph (1) of subsection (a) of Code Section 40-5-67.2 arising from the same incident."
"(e) Fees, duration, renewal, and replacement of limited driving permit.
(1) A limited driving permit issued pursuant to this Code section shall be \$25.00 and shall become invalid upon the driver's eighteenth birthday in the case of a suspension under paragraph (2) of subsection (a.1) of Code Section 40-5-22, upon the:

- (A) The expiration of one year following issuance thereof in the case of a suspension
 for:
- 283 (i) For an offense listed in Code Section 40-5-54 or a suspension under:
- 284 (ii) Under Code Section 40-5-57 or a suspension in;
- 285 (iii) Under Code Section 40-5-57.2; or
- (iv) In accordance with paragraph (1) of subsection (a) of Code Section 40-5-63 for
 a violation of Code Section 40-6-391, or upon the;
- (B) The expiration of 30 days in the case of an administrative license suspension in
 accordance with paragraph (1) of subsection (a) of Code Section 40-5-67.2; except that
 such limited driving permit shall expire upon any or
- 291 (C) Any earlier reinstatement of the driver's license.

292 (2) A person may apply to the department for a limited driving permit immediately 293 following such conviction if he or she has surrendered his or her driver's license to the 294 court in which the conviction was adjudged or to the department if the department has 295 processed the administrative driver's license suspension form or conviction. Upon the 296 applicant's execution of an affidavit attesting to such facts and to the fact that the court 297 had not imposed a suspension or revocation of his or her driver's license or driving 298 privileges inconsistent with the driving privileges to be conferred by the limited driving 299 permit applied for, the department may issue such person a limited driving permit.

300 (3) Limited driving permits issued pursuant to this Code section are renewable upon 301 payment of a renewal fee of \$5.00. Such permits may be renewed one time after the

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302 person is eligible to reinstate his or her driver's license for the violation that was the basis

303 of the issuance of the permit.

- 304 (4) Upon payment of a fee in an amount the same as that provided by Code Section
- 305 40-5-25 for issuance of a Class C driver's license, a person may be issued a replacement
- 306 for a lost or destroyed limited driving permit issued to him or her."

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307	SECTION 6.
308	Said title is further amended by adding a new Code section to read as follows:
309	″ <u>40-6-390.1.</u>
310	(a) Any person who operates any vehicle while drag racing, in violation of Code Section
311	40-6-186, or laying drags, in violation of Code Section 40-6-251, in reckless disregard for
312	the safety of persons on a highway or upon private property without express authorization
313	from the owner of such property commits the offense of reckless stunt driving and, upon
314	conviction thereof, shall be guilty of:
315	(1) For the first conviction with no conviction of and no plea of nolo contendere accepted
316	to a charge of violating this Code section within the previous ten years, a misdemeanor
317	of a high and aggravated nature to be punished by:
318	(A) A fine of not less than \$300.00 but no more than \$750.00; and
319	(B) A period of imprisonment of not fewer than ten days nor more than six months;
320	(2) For the second conviction in a ten-year period of time, a misdemeanor of a high and
321	aggravated nature to be punished by:
322	(A) A fine of not less than \$600.00 and not more than \$1,000.00; and
323	(B) A period of imprisonment of not fewer than 90 days and not more than 12 months;
324	(3) For the third conviction in a ten-year period of time, a misdemeanor of a high and
325	aggravated nature to be punished by:
326	(A) A fine of not less than \$1,000.00 and not more than \$5,000.00; and

327	(B) A period of imprisonment of not fewer than 120 days and not more than 12
328	months; and
329	(4) For a fourth or subsequent conviction in a ten-year period of time, a felony to be
330	punished by:
331	(A) A fine of not less than \$1,000.00 and not more than \$5,000.00; and
332	(B) A period of imprisonment of not fewer than one year and not more than five years.
333	(b)(1) Notwithstanding the limits set forth in any municipal charter, any municipal court
334	of any municipality shall be authorized to impose the misdemeanor or high and
335	aggravated misdemeanor punishments provided for in this Code section upon a
336	conviction of violating this Code section or upon a conviction of violating any ordinance
337	adopting the provisions of this Code section.
338	(2) Notwithstanding any provision of this Code section to the contrary, any court
339	authorized to hear misdemeanor or high and aggravated misdemeanor cases involving
340	violations of this Code section shall be authorized to exercise the power to probate,
341	suspend, or stay any sentence imposed.
342	(c)(1) Any motor vehicle operated by a person who has been declared a habitual violator
343	for three violations of this Code section, whose license has been revoked, and who is
344	arrested and charged with a violation of this Code section is declared to be contraband
345	and subject to forfeiture in accordance with the procedures set forth in Chapter 16 of
346	<u>Title 9.</u>
347	(2) In any case where a vehicle which is the only family vehicle is determined to be
348	subject to forfeiture, the court may, if it determines that the financial hardship to the
349	family as a result of the forfeiture and sale outweighs the benefit to the state from such
350	forfeiture, order the title to the vehicle transferred to such other family member who is
351	a duly licensed operator and who requires the use of such vehicle for employment or
352	family transportation purposes. Such transfer shall be subject to any valid liens and shall
353	be granted only once.

355 measured from the dates of previous arrests for which convictions were obtained or pleas

- 356 of nolo contendere were accepted to the date of the current arrest for which a conviction
- 357 <u>is obtained or a plea of nolo contendere is accepted.</u>"
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SECTION 7.

Said title is further amended in Code Section 40-6-393, relating to homicide by vehicle, byrevising subsections (a) and (c) as follows:

361 "(a) Any person who, without malice aforethought, causes the death of another person
362 through the violation of subsection (a) of Code Section 40-6-163, Code Section Sections
363 40-6-390 or through 40-6-391, or subsection (a) of Code Section 40-6-395 commits the
364 offense of homicide by vehicle in the first degree and, upon conviction thereof, shall be
365 punished by imprisonment for not less than three years nor more than 15 years."

- 366 "(c) Any person who causes the death of another person, without an intention to do so, by 367 violating any provision of this title other than subsection (a) of Code Section 40-6-163, 368 subsection (b) of Code Section 40-6-270, Code Section Sections 40-6-390 or through 369 40-6-391, or subsection (a) of Code Section 40-6-395 commits the offense of homicide by 370 vehicle in the second degree when such violation is the cause of said death and, upon 371 conviction thereof, shall be punished as provided in Code Section 17-10-3."
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SECTION 8.

Said title is further amended in Code Section 40-6-393.1, relating to feticide by vehicle andpenalties, by revising subsection (c) as follows:

375 "(c)(1) A person commits the offense of feticide by vehicle in the second degree if he or
376 she causes the death of an unborn child by any injury to the mother of such child by
377 violating any provision of this title other than Code Section Sections 40-6-390 or through

40-6-391, which would be homicide by vehicle in the second degree as provided in
subsection (c) of Code Section 40-6-393 if it resulted in the death of such mother.

- 380 (2) A person convicted of the offense of feticide by vehicle in the second degree shall
- be punished as provided in Code Section 17-10-3."
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SECTION 9.

383 Said title is further amended in Code Section 40-6-394, relating to serious injury by vehicle384 and penalty, by revising subsection (b) as follows:

385 "(b) Any person who, without malice aforethought, causes an accident that results in bodily

harm while violating Code Section Sections 40-6-390 or through 40-6-391 commits the

387 crime of serious injury by vehicle. A person convicted of violating this subsection shall

- 388 be guilty of a felony and shall be punished by imprisonment for not less than one year nor
- 389 more than 15 years."
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SECTION 10.

391 Said title is further amended by revising Code Section 40-6-397, relating to aggressive

392 driving and penalty, as follows:

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(a) A person commits the offense of aggressive driving when he or she operates any motor
vehicle with the intent to annoy, harass, molest, intimidate, injure, or obstruct another
person, including without limitation violating Code Section 40-6-42, 40-6-48, 40-6-49,

- 397 40-6-123, 40-6-184, 40-6-312, or 40-6-390<u>, or 40-6-390.1</u> with such intent.
- 398 (b) Any person convicted of aggressive driving shall be guilty of a misdemeanor of a high
- 399 and aggravated nature."

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400	SECTION 11.
401	This Act shall become effective upon its approval by the Governor or upon its becoming law
402	without such approval and shall apply to all offenses committed on and after such date.
403	SECTION 12.

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