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House Bill 777 (AS PASSED HOUSE AND SENATE))

By: Representatives Dudgeon of the 25th, Coleman of the 97th, and Parsons of the 44th

A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT

- 1 To amend Code Section 40-6-165 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to
- 2 operation of school buses, so as to allow school bus drivers to use cellular telephones in a
- 3 similar manner as a two-way radio; to provide for related matters; to repeal conflicting laws;
- 4 and for other purposes.

5 BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF GEORGIA:

6 SECTION 1.

- 7 Code Section 40-6-165 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to operation of
- 8 school buses, is amended by revising subsection (e) as follows:
- 9 "(e) The driver of a school bus shall not use or operate a cellular telephone while the bus
- 10 is in motion, unless it is being used in a similar manner as a two-way radio to allow live
- communication between the driver and school officials or public safety officials and in
- 12 accordance with the provisions of paragraph (2) of subsection (b) and of subsection (c) of
- 13 <u>Code Section 40-6-241.2."</u>
- SECTION 2.
- 15 All laws and parts of laws in conflict with this Act are repealed.