

Senate Bill 332

By: Senators Robertson of the 29th, Kennedy of the 18th, Gooch of the 51st, Hatchett of the 50th, Brass of the 28th and others

A BILL TO BE ENTITLED
AN ACT

1 To amend Code Section 15-18-32 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to
2 Prosecuting Attorneys Qualifications Commission, authority, membership, ex parte
3 communications, governance, disciplinary actions, confidentiality, and privileged nature; to
4 provide for related matters; to repeal conflicting laws; and for other purposes.

5 BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF GEORGIA:

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

7 Code Section 15-18-32 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to Prosecuting
8 Attorneys Qualifications Commission, authority, membership, ex parte communications,
9 governance, disciplinary actions, confidentiality, and privileged nature, is amended by
10 revising subsection (g) as follows:

11 "(g) The commission, with the assistance of the Prosecuting Attorneys' Council of the State
12 of Georgia, shall promulgate standards of conduct and rules for the commission's
13 governance which will comport with due process and enforce the provisions of subsections
14 (h) and (i) of this Code section; ~~provided, however, that such standards and rules shall be~~
15 ~~effective only upon review and adoption by the Supreme Court.~~ Such standards and rules
16 shall allow for a full investigation of a district attorney or solicitor-general only upon

17 majority vote of the investigative panel. When a commission member receives information
18 relating to the conduct of a district attorney or solicitor-general, such member shall provide
19 such information to the commission's director for appropriate action."

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SECTION 2.

21 All laws and parts of laws in conflict with this Act are repealed.