

Senate Bill 448

By: Senators Hatchett of the 50th, Strickland of the 17th, Kennedy of the 18th and Gooch of the 51st

A BILL TO BE ENTITLED  
AN ACT

1 To amend the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, so as to revise, modernize, correct errors  
2 or omissions in, and reenact the statutory portion of said Code, as amended, in furtherance  
3 of the work of the Code Revision Commission; to repeal portions of said Code, or Acts in  
4 amendment thereof, which have become obsolete, have been declared to be unconstitutional,  
5 or have been preempted or superseded by subsequent laws; to codify principles of law  
6 derived from decisions of the state Supreme Court; to provide for other matters relating to  
7 revision, reenactment, and publication of said Code; to provide for effect in event of  
8 conflicts; to repeal conflicting laws; and for other purposes.

9 BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF GEORGIA:

10 **SECTION 1.**

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12 (a) Title 7 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to banking and finance, is  
13 amended in:

14 (1) Code Section 7-1-1, relating to a short title regarding purposes and preliminary matters  
15 of provisions applicable to Department of Banking and Finance and financial institutions

16 generally, by replacing "the 'Financial Institutions Code of Georgia' (hereinafter called 'this  
17 chapter')." with "the 'Financial Institutions Code of Georgia.'".

18 (2) Code Section 7-1-3, relating to objectives of chapter and standards for construction and  
19 regulation, in subparagraph (a)(10)(C), by replacing "rulemaking" with "rule-making".

20 (3) Code Section 7-1-4, relating to definitions regarding purposes and preliminary matters  
21 of provisions applicable to Department of Banking and Finance and financial institutions  
22 generally, in paragraph (1.5), by replacing "is a relationship" with "means a relationship" and  
23 in paragraph (7), by replacing "purpose" with "purposes" and by replacing "multiple deposit"  
24 with "multiple-party".

25 (4) Code Section 7-1-6, relating to notices and waivers of notice, in paragraph (2), by  
26 replacing "e-mails," with "emails,".

27 (5) Code Section 7-1-37, relating to restrictions on commissioner, deputy commissioners,  
28 and examiners, in subsection (c), by replacing "examiners" with "any examiner".

29 (6) Code Section 7-1-61, relating to rules and regulations regarding operations of  
30 Department of Banking and Finance, in paragraph (c)(2), by replacing "Internet" with  
31 "internet".

32 (7) Code Section 7-1-64, relating to department examinations and investigations and  
33 disclosure of information or prior notice regarding examinations of financial institutions, in  
34 subsection (a), by inserting a comma following "annually" and in paragraph (b)(1), by  
35 inserting a comma following "authorities".

36 (8) Code Section 7-1-70, relating to disclosure of information regarding operations of the  
37 Department of Banking and Finance, in paragraph (c)(1), by inserting a comma following  
38 "however, that".

39 (9) Code Section 7-1-150, relating to taking of possession by the Department of Banking and  
40 Finance and cumulative remedies, in paragraph (a)(3), by replacing "regulation," with  
41 "regulation" and in subsection (b), by replacing "discretion" with "discretion,".

42 (10) Code Section 7-1-200, relating to confirmation of account, distribution of dividends,  
43 final disposition of assets insufficient for distribution, and cancellation of articles, in  
44 subsection (c), by inserting a comma following "account".

45 (11) Code Section 7-1-202, relating to order of payment of liabilities and secured or  
46 preferred claims and liens, at the end of paragraph (a)(6), by inserting "and" and in  
47 subsection (b), by replacing "however," with "however, that".

48 (12) Code Section 7-1-241, relating to restrictions on engaging in banking business, in  
49 subsection (c), by replacing "Internet," with "internet,".

50 (13) Code Section 7-1-243, relating to restrictions on banking and trust nomenclature, in  
51 subsection (a.1), by replacing "insured, or" with "insured or" and in subsection (a.1) and  
52 paragraph (c)(1.1), by replacing "'credit union,'" with "'credit union'".

53 (14) Code Section 7-1-288, relating to corporate stock and securities, in  
54 subparagraph (c)(2)(F), by inserting a comma following "however, that" and in  
55 subparagraph (c)(2)(G), by deleting "known as".

56 (15) Code Section 7-1-320, relating to definitions regarding affiliate transfers of banks and  
57 trust companies, in paragraph (2), by replacing "For the purposes of this part, the term  
58 affiliated trust company" with "Such term".

59 (16) Code Section 7-1-352, relating to deposit by agent, trustee, or other fiduciary, in  
60 subsection (b), by replacing "provided such" with "provided that such".

61 (17) Code Section 7-1-555, relating to national bank to state bank or trust company  
62 conversions and effect of issuance of certificate, in paragraph (3), by replacing "(except as  
63 provided in paragraph (2) of this subsection)," with "except as provided in paragraph (2) of  
64 this Code section," and in paragraph (5), by inserting a comma following "however, that".

65 (18) Code Section 7-1-628.8, relating to restrictions on de novo branches, in the introductory  
66 text of subsection (a), by replacing "A 'de novo branch'" with "As used in this Code section,  
67 the term 'de novo branch'".

- 68 (19) Code Section 7-1-630, relating to initial subscribers, contents and filing of articles,  
69 other required filings, fee for investigation, and selection of initial directors regarding credit  
70 unions, in subsection (b), by replacing "is described as" with "means".
- 71 (20) Code Section 7-1-669, relating to corporate credit union, at the end of  
72 subparagraph (b)(5)(A), by deleting "or".
- 73 (21) Code Section 7-1-680, relating to definitions regarding money transmission, in  
74 paragraph (20), by inserting a comma following "stored value".
- 75 (22) Code Section 7-1-703, relating to conviction data defined, investigation of applicants,  
76 and background checks of employees regarding cashing of payment instruments, in  
77 subsection (e), by inserting "each" preceding "licensee;".
- 78 (23) Code Section 7-1-707, relating to required endorsement by licensee, immediate  
79 payments, deferment of payment, identification requirements, and acceptable fee for services  
80 regarding cashing of payment instruments, in paragraph (f)(3), by inserting "the term"  
81 following "this subsection,".
- 82 (24) Code Section 7-1-730, relating to a short title regarding domestic international banking  
83 facilities, by replacing "known as" with "known and may be cited as".
- 84 (25) Code Section 7-1-777, relating to principal and branch offices regarding building and  
85 loan associations and savings and loan associations, by replacing "shall be construed to  
86 mean" with "means".
- 87 (26) Code Section 7-1-912, relating to records and reports of certain currency transactions,  
88 regulations, commissioner's authority under Code Section 7-1-64, prohibited acts, and  
89 definitions, in paragraph (a)(3), by replacing "however," with "however, that".
- 90 (27) Code Section 7-1-1000, relating to definitions regarding licensing of mortgage lenders  
91 and mortgage brokers, in paragraph (15), by inserting "the term" following "paragraph,".
- 92 (28) Code Section 7-1-1001, relating to exemption for certain persons and entities,  
93 registration requirements, authorized actions of licensed mortgage lenders, and violations,  
94 in division (a)(17)(B)(iii), by replacing "engages" with "engage", in division (a)(18)(A)(iii),

95 by deleting the comma following "purposes", and in division (a)(18)(A)(vi), by deleting the  
96 comma following "context".

97 (29) Code Section 7-1-1004, relating to conviction data defined, investigation of applicant  
98 and its officers, audit, and education, experience, and other requirements regarding licensees  
99 and registrants, in paragraph (h)(3), by replacing "contact," with "contract,", in  
100 paragraph (h)(5), by deleting "for" following "except", and in subsection (i), by replacing  
101 "Governor" with "governor".

102 (30) Code Section 7-1-1122, relating to operations regarding licensing of foreign banking  
103 institutions, at the end of the introductory language, by replacing "department, establish:"  
104 with "department:" and at the beginning of paragraph (1), by replacing "A" with  
105 "Establish a".

106 (31) Code Section 7-1-1123, relating to value of assets and deposits, minimum requirements,  
107 and reporting regarding foreign banking institutions, in paragraph (a)(4), by replacing  
108 "banker's acceptances," with "bankers' acceptances," and in the undesignated text at the end  
109 of subsection (b), by replacing "have deposited" with "has deposited".

110 (32) Code Section 7-1-1132, relating to location and authority of Georgia state  
111 representative offices and relocation, in the undesignated text at the end of the Code section,  
112 by replacing "should" with "shall".

113 (33) Code Section 7-2-11, relating to exclusive supervision by department and rules and  
114 regulations regarding credit union deposit insurance corporation, in subsection (b), by  
115 deleting "known as".

116 (34) Code Section 7-3-11, relating to maximum loan amount, period, and charges and  
117 deferments regarding installment loans, in paragraph (2), by replacing "however, if" with  
118 "however, that if".

119 (35) Code Section 7-4-3, relating to finance charge on retail installment contracts for  
120 manufactured homes and motor vehicles subject to federal law and stating of federal  
121 provisions in contract, in paragraph (b)(2), by replacing "but" with "provided, however, that".

122 (36) Code Section 7-4-4, relating to advertisement of rates of interest or finance charges, in  
123 subsection (a), by replacing "U.S.C. 57(a)" with "U.S.C. Sections 57a" and in subsection (c),  
124 by deleting "known as".

125 (37) Code Section 7-4-9, relating to back interest may be stipulated in contract and  
126 recovered, by replacing "provided interest" with "provided that interest".

127 (38) Code Section 7-4-11, relating to usury is personal defense and no collection from  
128 insolvent to prejudice of others, by replacing "but" with "provided, however, that".

129 (39) Code Section 7-4-16, relating to when interest runs on commercial accounts and  
130 maximum interest rate on commercial accounts, by replacing "'Commercial account'" with  
131 "As used in this Code section, the term 'commercial account'".

132 (40) Code Section 7-5-3, relating to organization of credit card banks, in paragraph (9), by  
133 inserting a comma following "however, that".

134 (41) Code Section 7-6A-3, relating to limitations of home loans, in the undesignated text at  
135 the end of paragraph (1), by inserting a comma following "however, that".

136 (b) Title 8 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to buildings and housing, is  
137 amended in:

138 (1) Code Section 8-2-23, relating to amendment and revision of state building, plumbing,  
139 and electrical codes generally, installation of high-efficiency cooling towers, review, and use  
140 of ungraded lumber, in paragraph (d)(1) and in subsection (e), by deleting "Georgia".

141 (2) Code Section 8-2-26, relating to enforcement of state building, plumbing, and electrical  
142 codes generally, employment and training of inspectors, and contracts for administration and  
143 enforcement of codes, in subparagraph (g)(1)(D), by inserting a comma following "however,  
144 that" and by replacing "Georgia State Minimum Standard Codes" with "state minimum  
145 standard codes".

146 (3) Code Section 8-2-166, relating to penalty for violation regarding installation of  
147 manufactured homes and mobile homes, by replacing "violation, and" with "violation and".

148 (4) Code Section 8-2-170, relating to definitions regarding installation of pre-owned  
149 manufactured homes, in paragraph (3), by replacing "is any" with "means any".

150 (5) Code Section 8-2-217, relating to total change in use or occupancy regarding building  
151 and fire related codes, in subsection (a), by replacing "however," with "however, that".

152 (6) Code Section 8-2-218, relating to change of portion of building to new use or occupancy  
153 regarding building and fire related codes, in subsection (b), by inserting a comma following  
154 "however, that".

155 (7) Code Section 8-3-1, relating to a short title regarding general provisions for housing  
156 authorities, by replacing "may be referred to" with "shall be known and may be cited".

157 (8) Code Section 8-3-35, relating to legislative findings, additional powers of housing  
158 authority, effect of financing with bond proceeds, issuance, sale, confirmation, and validation  
159 of bonds, and venue of actions, in subsection (e), by replacing "Title 36 known as" with  
160 "Title 36".

161 (9) Code Section 8-3-131, relating to definitions regarding providing housing for persons  
162 engaged in national defense industries or activities, at the end of paragraph (1), by replacing  
163 the semicolon with a period and at the end of paragraph (2), by replacing "; and" with a  
164 period.

165 (10) Code Section 8-3-215, relating to appeal from order of administrative law judge and  
166 attorney's fees and costs regarding fair housing, in subsection (a), by inserting a comma  
167 following "however, that".

168 (11) Code Section 8-3-300, relating to a short title regarding housing trust fund for the  
169 homeless, by replacing "and cited" with "and may be cited".

170 (12) Code Section 8-4-1, relating to a short title regarding clearance and rehabilitation of  
171 blighted areas, by replacing "may be referred to" with "shall be known and may be cited".

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**SECTION 2.**

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174 Title 10 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to commerce and trade, is  
175 amended in:

176 (1) Code Section 10-1-2, relating to definitions and construction regarding retail installment  
177 and home solicitation sales, in paragraph (a)(13), by replacing "The term" with "Such term"  
178 both times the phrase appears and in paragraph (a)(15), by replacing "it does" with "such  
179 term does".

180 (2) Code Section 10-1-3, relating to requirements for retail installment contracts, time price  
181 differential, prepayment, and inclusion of construction permit costs, in paragraph (d)(2), by  
182 replacing "used in this subsection," with "used in this subsection, the term".

183 (3) Code Section 10-1-32, relating to requirements for retail installment contracts, insurance,  
184 delinquency charges, attorneys' fees, and costs, and receipts regarding motor vehicle sales  
185 financing, in subsection (d), by replacing "year model, model," with "model, year," and in  
186 subsection (g), by inserting a comma following "however, that".

187 (4) Code Section 10-1-39, relating to additional definitions regarding motor vehicle sales  
188 financing, in the introductory language, by replacing "In addition to the definitions provided  
189 for in Code Section 10-1-31, as used" with "As used".

190 (5) Code Section 10-1-152, relating to labeling gasoline and kerosene containers and  
191 cleaning kerosene containers of gasoline, by replacing "deliver same" with "deliver the same"  
192 and by replacing "purchasing same" with "purchasing the same".

193 (6) Code Section 10-1-164, as effective on January 1, 2025, relating to requirements for  
194 signs advertising retail motor fuel, advertising free gifts or services, enforcement, and  
195 penalty, by redesignating subsection (a) as subsection (a.1) and subsection (a.1) as subsection  
196 (a), respectively.



197 (7) Code Section 10-1-202.1, relating to the addition of denatonium benzoate to certain  
198 antifreeze, applicability, and limitation on civil liability and criminal responsibility, in  
199 subsection (e), by inserting a comma following "however, that".

200 (8) Code Section 10-1-221, relating to administration of article regarding electric vehicle  
201 charging stations, electric vehicle charging station inspectors, and cooperation with other  
202 agencies, in subsection (c), by inserting "station" following "charging".

203 (9) Code Section 10-1-225, relating to advertising requirements for electric vehicle charging  
204 station, enforcement, and penalties, in subsection (a), by replacing "Any electric vehicle  
205 charging" with "An electric vehicle charging station" and in subsection (d), by inserting  
206 "station" following "charging".

207 (10) Code Section 10-1-234, relating to selling controlled product to another automotive  
208 gasoline distributor for retail sale and selling to other dealers at distress prices, by replacing  
209 "product and" with "product, and".

210 (11) Code Section 10-1-253, relating to computation of cost regarding below cost sales, in  
211 paragraph (4), by replacing "however," with "however, that".

212 (12) Code Section 10-1-290, relating to a short title regarding motion picture fair  
213 competition, by inserting "and may be cited" following "known".

214 (13) Code Section 10-1-393, relating to unfair or deceptive practices in consumer  
215 transactions unlawful and examples, at the end of subdivision (b)(16)(A)(vii)(II), by  
216 replacing the period with a semicolon and in subparagraph (b)(16)(A.1), by replacing  
217 "Internet" with "internet".

218 (14) Code Section 10-1-393.8, relating to protection from disclosure of an individual's social  
219 security number, in paragraph (a)(1), by inserting "the term" following "section," in  
220 paragraph (a)(2), by replacing "Internet," with "internet," and in paragraph (a)(3), by  
221 replacing "Internet" with "internet" both times the term appears.

222 (15) Code Section 10-1-393.10, relating to filing contracts for child support collection,  
223 requirements for contracts, role of collector, cancellation of contract, and forwarding of  
224 payments, in paragraph (b)(7), by replacing "e-mail" with "email".

225 (16) Code Section 10-1-393.19, relating to unsolicited inquiries, in the introductory language  
226 of paragraph (a)(2), by replacing "On front" with "On the front" and in subsection (b), by  
227 replacing "that notwithstanding" with "that, notwithstanding".

228 (17) Code Section 10-1-399, relating to civil or equitable remedies by individuals regarding  
229 fair business practices, in subsections (a) and (d), by replacing "however," with "however,  
230 that".

231 (18) Code Section 10-1-405, relating to civil penalties and individual liability regarding fair  
232 business practices, in subsection (c), by replacing "however," with "however, that".

233 (19) Code Section 10-1-424.1, relating to false solicitation in media of legal services, in  
234 paragraph (a)(3), by replacing "Internet search engine ad," with "internet search engine  
235 advertisement," and in paragraph (b)(3), by replacing "admitted to the Georgia bar or may  
236 offer legal services" with "licensed to practice law" and by replacing "is duly licensed" with  
237 "is a duly licensed".

238 (20) Code Section 10-1-439.10, relating to consumers' receipt of goods, wares, merchandise,  
239 or products without consent regarding online automatic renewal, by replacing "cost of, or"  
240 with "cost of or".

241 (21) Code Section 10-1-622, relating to definitions regarding motor vehicle franchise  
242 practices, at the end of the introductory language of paragraph (8.1), by replacing "however:"  
243 with "however, that:".

244 (22) Code Section 10-1-641, relating to motor vehicle dealer's predelivery preparation,  
245 warranty service, and recall work obligations to be provided in writing, recovery of costs,  
246 and "stop-sale" defined, in subparagraph (a)(2)(F), by replacing "time consuming" with  
247 "time-consuming" and in paragraph (d)(6), by replacing "The provisions under this" with  
248 "This".

- 249 (23) Code Section 10-1-664.1, relating to restrictions on the ownership, operation, or control  
250 of motor vehicle dealerships by manufacturers and franchisors and competing unfairly with  
251 new dealers, in paragraph (a)(6), by replacing "however," with "however, that".
- 252 (24) Code Section 10-1-677, relating to termination of contractual relationship between  
253 marine dealer and manufacturer, in paragraph (a)(3), by replacing "however," with "however,  
254 that,".
- 255 (25) Code Section 10-1-679.10, relating to required specifications for warranty service, time  
256 allowances, reimbursements, denial of claims, violations, and damage to new recreational  
257 vehicles delivered to dealers, in paragraph (h)(2), by replacing "three day" with "three-day".
- 258 (26) Code Section 10-1-688, relating to limitation of actions regarding lease-purchase  
259 agreements, by replacing "this action" with "such action".
- 260 (27) Code Section 10-1-760, relating to the short title regarding trade secrets, by inserting  
261 "and may be cited" following "known".
- 262 (28) Code Section 10-1-770, relating to definitions regarding bad faith assertions of patent  
263 infringement, in paragraph (2), by replacing "e-mail," with "email,".
- 264 (29) Code Section 10-1-783, relating to provision of owner's manual and notice of rights,  
265 fully itemized and legible repair order, and copies of reports regarding Georgia's lemon law,  
266 in subsection (a), by replacing "e-mail" with "email".
- 267 (30) Code Section 10-1-832, relating to bond requirements for beauty pageants, by replacing  
268 "section," with "section".
- 269 (31) Code Section 10-1-850, relating to definitions regarding unfair or deceptive practices  
270 toward the elderly, in the introductory language of paragraph (1), by inserting "the term"  
271 following "paragraph,".
- 272 (32) Code Section 10-1-910, relating to legislative findings regarding identity theft, in  
273 paragraph (2), by replacing "Internet" with "internet".

274 (33) Code Section 10-1-911, relating to definitions regarding identity theft, in  
275 division (4)(D)(i), by replacing "E-mail" with "Email" and by replacing "e-mail" with  
276 "email".

277 (34) Code Section 10-1-914, relating to consumer requested security freeze on credit report,  
278 timing, notifications, temporary lifting of freeze, application, and penalty, in subsections (a)  
279 and (e), by replacing "Internet" with "internet".

280 (35) Code Section 10-1-930, relating to a short title regarding the true origin of digital  
281 goods, by replacing "Georgia True" with "'Georgia True".

282 (36) Code Section 10-1-932, relating to disclosures to consumers and readily accessible  
283 defined regarding owner of a website or online service, in subsection (a), by replacing  
284 "consists to a substantial extent" with "consists, to a substantial extent," and in  
285 paragraph (b)(1), by replacing "landing or home web page" with "home page".

286 (37) Code Section 10-1-933, relating to civil actions authorized, compliance, and recovery  
287 of expenses regarding the true origin of digital goods, in subsection (c), by replacing  
288 "attorney" with "attorney's".

289 (38) Code Section 10-1-940, relating to definitions regarding online marketplace  
290 requirements, in the introductory language of paragraph (a)(3), by replacing  
291 "consumer-directed," with "consumer directed," and in the introductory language of  
292 paragraph (a)(5), by replacing "The term 'third-party seller'" with "Such term".

293 (39) Code Section 10-4-1, relating to short title regarding state licensed and bonded  
294 warehouses, by inserting "be known and may" following "shall".

295 (40) Code Section 10-4-2, relating to definitions regarding state licensed and bonded  
296 warehouses, in paragraph (9), by replacing "however," with "however, that".

297 (41) Code Section 10-4-12, related to bond required and additional bond regarding state  
298 licensed and bonded warehouses, in subsection (a), by replacing "however," with "however,  
299 that".

300 (42) Code Section 10-4-25, relating to when insurance on stored products required regarding  
301 state licensed and bonded warehouses, by replacing "fire, lightning, and" with "fire or  
302 lightning and shall have".

303 (43) Code Section 10-4-100, relating to legislative intent and findings regarding leaf tobacco  
304 sales and storage, by inserting a subsection (a) designation preceding "It is the intent" and  
305 by inserting a subsection (b) designation preceding "It is further".

306 (44) Code Section 10-5-1, relating to short title regarding Georgia uniform securities, by  
307 replacing "known as" with "known".

308 (45) Code Section 10-5-35, relating to application and consent to service of process  
309 regarding broker-dealers, agents, and investment advisers, at the end of paragraph (a)(2), by  
310 replacing the semicolon with a period.

311 (46) Code Section 10-5-71, relating to the powers of the Commissioner of Securities, in  
312 paragraph (a)(3), by replacing "or an investigation" with "or investigation".

313 (47) Code Section 10-5-100, relating to definitions regarding financial protections for  
314 elderly or disabled adults, in paragraph (5), by replacing "advisor" with "adviser".

315 (48) Code Section 10-5-103, relating to delayed disbursement if financial exploitation of  
316 elderly or disabled adults suspected, expiration, and judicial extension of delay, in the  
317 introductory language of subsection (b), by replacing "or a qualified individual" with "or  
318 qualified individual".

319 (49) Code Section 10-6-35, relating to revocation of agency and effect of death on power  
320 of attorney by member of armed forces, seaman, or person on war service, at the end of  
321 paragraph (a)(1), by deleting "or".

322 (50) Code Section 10-6A-1, relating to a short title regarding brokerage relationships in real  
323 estate transactions, by replacing "known as and" with "known and".

324 (51) Code Section 10-6A-5, relating to duties and responsibilities of real estate broker  
325 engaged by seller, in subparagraph (a)(2)(A), by replacing "however," with "however, that".

- 326 (52) Code Section 10-6A-6, relating to duties of real estate broker engaged by landlord, in  
327 subparagraph (a)(2)(A), by replacing "however," with "however, that".
- 328 (53) Code Section 10-6A-7, relating to duties of real estate broker engaged by buyer, in  
329 subparagraph (a)(2)(A), by replacing "however," with "however, that".
- 330 (54) Code Section 10-6A-8, relating to duties of real estate broker engaged by tenant, in  
331 subparagraph (a)(2)(A), by replacing "however," with "however, that".
- 332 (55) Code Section 10-6B-3, relating to applicability regarding powers of attorney, in  
333 paragraph (2), by replacing "including but limited" with "including, but not limited".
- 334 (56) Code Section 10-6B-70, relating to form for power of attorney, throughout the form,  
335 by replacing "e-mail" with "email" each time the term appears.
- 336 (57) Code Section 10-6B-71, relating to optional form for agent certification of facts  
337 concerning a power of attorney, in the form, by replacing "e-mail" with "email".
- 338 (58) Code Section 10-9-5, relating to transfer of duties of Department of Economic  
339 Development, actions to be performed by authority under contract with and on behalf of  
340 department, costs, and ratification of past actions regarding the Geo. L. Smith II Georgia  
341 World Congress Center, by replacing "as herein authorized," with "as authorized in this Code  
342 section," and by replacing "Nothing herein" with "Nothing in this Code section".
- 343 (59) Code Section 10-9-9, relating to the Geo. L. Smith II Georgia World Congress Center  
344 Authority and officers of board, terms of officers, authority of officers, and compensation,  
345 in subsection (e), by replacing "subsection," with "subsection, the term".
- 346 (60) Code Section 10-10-10, relating to the creation and purpose of the Invest Georgia Fund,  
347 by replacing "benefitting" with "benefiting".
- 348 (61) Code Section 10-12-16, relating to transferable records regarding electronic  
349 transactions, in the introductory language of subsection (a), by replacing "section," with  
350 "section, the term".

351 (62) Code Section 10-13A-4, relating to a tobacco product manufacturers directory available  
352 via the Internet, requirements for inclusion and maintenance, and e-mail requirement for  
353 distributor, in subsection (e), by replacing "e-mail" with "email".

354 (63) Code Section 10-13A-6, relating to tobacco products and agents of nonresident or  
355 foreign nonparticipating manufacturer or importer, directory updating, and refunds upon  
356 removal from directory, in subsection (d), by replacing "e-mail" with "email".

357 (64) Code Section 10-13B-3, relating to bar to litigation by state-wide opioid settlement,  
358 exception, and effective date, in subsection (a), by replacing "present or" with "present, or"  
359 and by replacing "injunctive or" with "injunctive, or".

360 (65) Code Section 10-14-1, relating to a short title regarding Georgia cemetery and funeral  
361 services, by deleting "as" following "known".

362 (66) Code Section 10-14-3, relating to definitions regarding cemetery and funeral services,  
363 in paragraph (14), by replacing "above-ground" with "aboveground".

364 (67) Code Section 10-14-11, relating to stop order suspending or revoking a registration,  
365 denial or refusal of application for registration, and penalties regarding cemetery and funeral  
366 services, in paragraph (b)(3), by replacing "subsection (h)" with "subsection (g)".

367 (68) Code Section 10-15-6, relating to penalty, hearing, and effect of judgment regarding  
368 disposal of business records containing personal information, in subsection (a), by replacing  
369 "however," with "however, that".

370 **SECTION 3.**

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372 Chapters 12 through 17 of Title 16 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to  
373 crimes and offenses, is amended in:

374 (1) Code Section 16-12-100, relating to sexual exploitation of children, reporting violation,  
375 civil forfeiture, and penalties, in paragraph (f)(1), by inserting a comma following "however,  
376 that".

377 (2) Code Section 16-12-100.2, relating to computer or electronic pornography and child  
378 exploitation prevention, in paragraphs (d)(1), (e)(1), and (f)(1), by replacing "Internet" with  
379 "internet" each time the term appears, in paragraphs (d)(1) and (e)(1), by replacing "e-mail"  
380 with "email", and in paragraphs (d)(2) and (e)(2), by inserting a comma following "however,  
381 that".

382 (3) Code Section 16-12-100.4, relating to access or use of commercial social networking  
383 website by high-risk sex offenders, conviction, and severability, in paragraph (a)(2), by  
384 replacing "State Sexual Offender Registry" with "state sexual offender registry".

385 (4) Code Section 16-12-141, relating to restrictions on the performance of abortions,  
386 availability of records, civil cause of action, and affirmative defenses, in paragraph (e)(2),  
387 by replacing "only be performed" with "be performed only".

388 (5) Code Section 16-12-160, relating to buying or selling or offering to buy or sell the  
389 human body or parts, in paragraph (b)(4), by replacing "health care" with "healthcare".

390 (6) Code Section 16-12-218, relating to no eligibility for tax credit regarding medical  
391 cannabis, by replacing "48-7-40.32, or 48-7-40.35." with "or 48-7-40.32."

392 (7) Code Section 16-13-1, relating to drug related objects, in paragraph (d)(4), by replacing  
393 "health care" with "healthcare".

394 (8) Code Section 16-13-5, relating to immunity from arrest or prosecution for persons  
395 seeking medical assistance for drug overdose, in paragraph (a)(3), by replacing "health care"  
396 with "healthcare".

397 (9) Code Section 16-13-21, relating to definitions regarding schedules, offenses, and  
398 penalties in the regulation of controlled substances, in subparagraph (10)(B), by replacing  
399 "health care" with "healthcare".



400 (10) Code Section 16-13-30.3, relating to possession of substances containing ephedrine or  
401 pseudoephedrine and restrictions on sales of products containing those ingredients, in  
402 paragraph (a)(3), by replacing "has the same meaning as" with "shall have the same meaning  
403 as provided".

404 (11) Code Section 16-13-57, relating to program to record prescription information into  
405 electronic data base and administration and oversight, in subsection (b), by replacing "health  
406 care" with "healthcare".

407 (12) Code Section 16-13-59, relating to information to include for each Schedule II, III, IV,  
408 or V controlled substance prescription and compliance, in paragraph (a)(7), by replacing  
409 "days supply" with "days' supply".

410 (13) Code Section 16-13-60, relating to privacy and confidentiality, use of data, and security  
411 program regarding prescription drug monitoring program data base, in paragraphs (c)(6),  
412 (c)(8), and (c.1)(1), by replacing "health care" with "healthcare" each time the term appears.

413 (14) Code Section 16-13-63, relating to liability, review of prescription drug monitoring  
414 program data base data when filling certain prescriptions, and cause of action for civil  
415 damages, in division (a)(2)(A)(ii), by replacing "health care" with "healthcare".

416 (15) Code Section 16-13-65, relating to exceptions regarding the prescription drug  
417 monitoring program data base, in subsection (b), by replacing "over the counter" with  
418 "over-the-counter".

419 (16) Code Section 16-13-72, relating to sale, distribution, or possession of dangerous drugs,  
420 in paragraph (4.2), by replacing "however," with "however, that" and in paragraph (4.3), by  
421 replacing "aesthetic," with "esthetic,".

422 (17) Code Section 16-14-3, relating to definitions regarding racketeer influenced and corrupt  
423 organizations, in division (5)(A)(xlii), by replacing "Title 16," with "this title,".

424 (18) Code Section 16-17-2, relating to prohibition on payday loans of less than \$3,000.00,  
425 exceptions, and penalty for violations, in the introductory language of subsection (a), by  
426 replacing "Internet," with "internet,".

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**SECTION 4.**

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429 Chapters 1 through 5 of Title 40 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to motor  
430 vehicles and traffic, is amended in:

431 (1) Code Section 40-1-1, relating to definitions regarding general provisions of identification  
432 and regulation of motor vehicles, in paragraph (17.3), by replacing "0.5% grade" with "0.5  
433 percent grade" and in paragraph (51), by replacing "'Residence district'" with "'Residential  
434 district'" and by deleting "in the main".

435 (2) Code Section 40-1-24, relating to enforcement, use of funds, regulatory compliance  
436 inspections by others, and the examination of facilities regarding transportation of hazardous  
437 materials, in subsection (a), by replacing "Department of Public Safety's" with  
438 "department's".

439 (3) Code Section 40-1-55, relating to penalty for violations regarding regulation of motor  
440 carriers and limousine carriers, by replacing "Department of Public Safety," with  
441 "department,".

442 (4) Code Section 40-1-106, relating to fitness of applicant and protest of application by  
443 motor carrier certificate holder, in subsection (c), by replacing "to protestant" with "to a  
444 protestant".

445 (5) Code Section 40-1-112, relating to insurance of motor carriers, in subsection (a), by  
446 replacing "state, which policy must provide" with "state that provides".

447 (6) Code Section 40-1-113, relating to motor carrier transportation contracts limiting  
448 liability, in the undesignated text at the end of paragraph (a)(1), by replacing "Motor carrier  
449 transportation contract" with "Such term".

450 (7) Code Section 40-1-123, relating to enjoining operation of motor carriers, by replacing  
451 "part, or" with "part or".

452 (8) Code Section 40-1-127, relating to actions against motor carriers for recovery of  
453 overcharges, rates, charges, and claims for loss or damage, in subsection (b), by replacing  
454 "commissioner of public safety," with "commissioner," and in paragraphs (b)(1) and (b)(2)  
455 and subsection (c), by replacing "commissioner of public safety" with "commissioner" each  
456 time the title appears.

457 (9) Code Section 40-1-151, relating to definitions regarding Georgia limousine carriers, in  
458 paragraph (2), by deleting "as provided in paragraph (5) of this Code section".

459 (10) Code Section 40-1-162, relating to state regulates limousine carriers, preemption, and  
460 limousine carrier doing business at a county or municipal airport, by replacing "Department  
461 of Public Safety" with "department" each time the phrase appears.

462 (11) Code Section 40-1-165, relating to motor carrier authorization number of limousine  
463 carriers included in advertisement, by replacing "Internet" with "internet" and by replacing  
464 "Department of Public Safety" with "department".

465 (12) Code Section 40-1-167, relating to required information on license plates of limousines,  
466 in the introductory language, by replacing "article" with "part".

467 (13) Code Section 40-1-190, relating to definitions regarding ride share network services and  
468 transportation referral services, in paragraph (3), by replacing "car, as defined in  
469 paragraph (41) of Code Section 40-1-1," with "car" and in paragraph (4), by replacing  
470 "Internet" with "internet".

471 (14) Code Section 40-1-221, relating to assumption of liability and insurance regarding  
472 peer-to-peer car sharing programs, in paragraph (c)(4), by replacing "Both" with "Any  
473 combination of" and by replacing "car-sharing" with "car sharing".

474 (15) Code Section 40-1-230, relating to vehicle equipment regarding peer-to-peer  
475 car-sharing programs, by replacing "GPS system" with "global positioning system".

476 (16) Code Section 40-2-20, relating to motor vehicle registration and license requirements,  
477 certificate of registration and temporary operating permit, and two-year registration option  
478 for new motor vehicles, in division (a)(1)(B)(ii), by inserting a comma following "however,

479 that" and in subsection (d), by replacing "motor vehicle passenger car, as such terms are  
480 defined in paragraphs (34) and (41) of Code Section 40-1-1," with "motor vehicle which is  
481 a passenger car,".

482 (17) Code Section 40-2-21, relating to motor vehicle registration periods, in paragraph  
483 (a)(.2), by replacing "has the meaning provided by paragraph (39) of" with "shall have the  
484 same meaning as set forth in".

485 (18) Code Section 40-2-26, relating to form and contents of application for motor vehicle  
486 registration, heavy vehicle tax, and satisfactory proof of motor vehicle insurance coverage,  
487 in paragraph (c)(4), by replacing "this Code" with "this chapter".

488 (19) Code Section 40-2-31, relating to motor vehicle license plate design and revalidation  
489 and county decals, in subsection (d), by inserting a comma following "however, that".

490 (20) Code Section 40-2-33, relating to issuance of license plates and decals for motor  
491 vehicles, transfer of registration to a digital license plate, compensation of tag agents, and  
492 required identification, in subsection (d), by replacing "Georgia driver's license or Georgia  
493 identification card" with "driver's license or identification card".

494 (21) Code Section 40-2-37, relating to registration and licensing of vehicles of state and  
495 political subdivisions, in subsections (b) and (c), by replacing "Georgia license plates" with  
496 "license plates" each time the phrase appears.

497 (22) Code Section 40-2-38, relating to registration and licensing of motor vehicle  
498 manufacturers, distributors, and dealers and issuance of manufacturer, manufacturer  
499 headquarters, distributor, and dealer plates, in paragraph (a)(1), by replacing "dealer's  
500 vehicles" with "the dealer's vehicles", in paragraph (a)(2), by replacing "use or on cars for  
501 hire, for lease, or" with "use, on cars for hire or lease, or in any", in paragraph (b)(2), by  
502 replacing "records of documentation" with "records or documentation", and in subsection (c),  
503 by deleting "as such term is defined in Code Section 40-1-1".

504 (23) Code Section 40-2-38.1, relating to transporter license plate, in subsection (c), by  
505 replacing "Department of Revenue" with "department" and in subsection (h), by deleting "in  
506 any way".

507 (24) Code Section 40-2-41.1, relating to authentic historical Georgia license plates, in  
508 subsections (b), (c), and (d), by replacing "Georgia license plate" with "license plate" each  
509 time the phrase appears.

510 (25) Code Section 40-2-74.1, relating to temporary, permanent, and special permanent  
511 parking permits for persons with disabilities, in subsection (i), by inserting a comma  
512 following "this Code section".

513 (26) Code Section 40-2-81, relating to special license plates for members of the Georgia  
514 State Defense Force, in subparagraph (b)(2)(B), by inserting a comma following "however,  
515 that".

516 (27) Code Section 40-2-84, relating to license plates for veterans awarded Purple Heart, in  
517 subsection (b), by inserting a comma following "however, that".

518 (28) Code Section 40-2-85.1, relating to special license plates for certain veterans, in  
519 subparagraph (b)(2)(B), by inserting a comma following "however, that".

520 (29) Code Section 40-2-86, relating to special license plates promoting or supporting certain  
521 worthy agencies, funds, or nonprofit corporations with proceeds disbursed to the general fund  
522 and the agency, fund, or nonprofit corporation, in subsection (g), by inserting a comma  
523 following "however, that" and in paragraph (k)(51), by replacing "health care" with  
524 "heathcare".

525 (30) Code Section 40-2-86.1, relating to special license plates promoting or supporting  
526 certain worthy agencies, funds, or nonprofit corporations and qualified motor vehicles or  
527 drivers with proceeds deposited into the general fund, in subsection (h), by inserting a  
528 comma following "however, that".

529 (31) Code Section 40-2-130, relating to records of certificates of motor vehicle registration,  
530 in subsection (d), by deleting "paragraphs (1) through (5) of".

531 (32) Code Section 40-2-136, relating to surrender of license plates upon second or  
532 subsequent convictions of driving under the influence and special license plate for repeat  
533 driving under the influence offenders, in subsection (a), by inserting a comma following  
534 "however, that".

535 (33) Code Section 40-2-140, relating to Department of Public Safety to administer  
536 provisions of the federal Unified Carrier Registration Act and registration, insurance and fee  
537 requirements of motor carriers, in subsection (f), by replacing "Department of Public Safety"  
538 with "commissioner" both times the phrase appears.

539 (34) Code Section 40-2-151, relating to annual license fees for operation of vehicles, fee for  
540 permanent licensing of certain trailers, and fee for new passenger car with paid title ad  
541 valorem taxes, in subsection (c), by replacing "new passenger car" with "new motor vehicle  
542 which is a passenger car".

543 (35) Code Section 40-2-151.1, relating to highway impact fees for heavy vehicles and use  
544 of funds, in subsection (d), by replacing "Repealed." with "Reserved.".

545 (36) Code Section 40-3-24, relating to contents of motor vehicle certificate of title,  
546 certificate as evidence, and not subject to garnishment or other process, in paragraph (a)(5),  
547 by replacing "vehicle including," with "vehicle, including,".

548 (37) Code Section 40-3-36, relating to cancellation and destruction of motor vehicle  
549 certificate of title for scrap, dismantled, or demolished vehicles or trailers, salvage certificate  
550 of title, administrative enforcement, and removal of license plates, in subparagraph (a)(4)(B),  
551 by deleting "as defined in paragraph (11) of Code Section 40-3-2".

552 (38) Code Section 40-3-53, relating to perfection and enforcement of liens upon motor  
553 vehicles generally, in subsection (a), by replacing "lien as defined in paragraph (7) of Code  
554 Section 40-3-2," with "lien,".

555 (39) Code Section 40-5-1, relating to definitions regarding drivers' licenses, in paragraphs  
556 (1) and (10), by replacing "Department of Driver Services" with "department", in paragraph

557 (16.01), by deleting ", as defined in paragraph (41) of Code Section 40-1-1," and in  
558 paragraph (16.02), by replacing "Internet" with "internet".

559 (40) Code Section 40-5-2, relating to keeping of records of applications for driver's licenses  
560 and information on licensees and furnishing of information, in division (c)(1)(B)(i), in the  
561 undesignated text at the end of subparagraph (c)(1)(G), and in subsection (e), by inserting a  
562 comma following "however, that" each time the phrase appears.

563 (41) Code Section 40-5-6, relating to forms for making of anatomical gifts upon issuance  
564 or renewal of driver's license or personal identification card, in subsections (a) and (b), by  
565 replacing "personal identification card" with "identification card".

566 (42) Code Section 40-5-20, relating to driver's license required, surrender of prior licenses,  
567 and local licenses prohibited, in the introductory language of subsection (a), by inserting a  
568 comma following "however, that".

569 (43) Code Section 40-5-21.1, relating to temporary driver's licenses, permits, or special  
570 identification cards, foreign licenses or identification cards as evidence of legal presence in  
571 the United States, and extensions, in subsection (c), by replacing "however," with "however,  
572 that".

573 (44) Code Section 40-5-21.2, relating to compliance with Systematic Alien Verification for  
574 Entitlements Program, application, and implementation, by revising subsection (a) and  
575 paragraphs (b)(1) and (b)(2) as follows:

576 "(a) As used in this Code section, the term:

577 (1) ~~'Department' means the Georgia Department of Driver Services.~~

578 (2) 'SAVE Program' means the Systematic Alien Verification for Entitlements (SAVE)  
579 Program established by the United States Bureau of Citizenship and Immigration  
580 Services."

581 "(1) The department shall attempt to confirm through the SAVE ~~program~~ Program that  
582 the applicant is lawfully present in the United States; and

583 (2) If the SAVE ~~program~~ Program does not provide sufficient information to the  
584 department to make a determination, the department shall be authorized to accept verbal  
585 or ~~e-mail~~ email confirmation of the legal status of the applicant from the Department of  
586 Homeland Security."

587 (45) Code Section 40-5-22.1, relating to reinstatement of driver's license of child under 16  
588 years convicted of driving under influence of alcohol or drugs, by replacing "learner's  
589 permit" with "instruction permit" both times the phrase appears and by replacing  
590 "Department of Driver Services" with "department".

591 (46) Code Section 40-5-25, relating to driver's license applications, fees, and provisions for  
592 voluntary participation in various programs, in paragraph (a)(5), by replacing "five year"  
593 with "five-year", in paragraph (a)(6), by replacing "five year" with "five-year", in  
594 paragraph (a)(7), by replacing "five year" with "five-year", in paragraph (a)(7.1), by  
595 replacing "Class" with "Classes", in paragraph (a)(7.2), by replacing "five year" with  
596 "five-year", and by deleting paragraph (e)(4), which reads "This subsection shall become  
597 effective on January 1, 2000."

598 (47) Code Section 40-5-27, relating to examination of applicants for driver's license, in  
599 paragraph (c)(1), by replacing "visual acuity of 20/60, corrected or uncorrected, in at least  
600 one eye or better" with "visual acuity of 20/60 or better, corrected or uncorrected, in at least  
601 one eye" and by replacing "vision must be at least" with "vision of at least" and in paragraph  
602 (c)(4), by replacing "every four years. However, the person must" with "every four years;  
603 provided, however, that such person shall".

604 (48) Code Section 40-5-31, relating to replacement permits or drivers' licenses, in the  
605 undesignated text at the end of paragraph (a)(2), by replacing "Code Section 40-5-32, relating  
606 to renewals of licenses." with "Code Section 40-5-32." and in subsection (b), by replacing  
607 "replacement license" with "replacement permit or license".

608 (49) Code Section 40-5-38, relating to notation of post traumatic stress disorder upon a  
609 driver's license, in subsection (a), by replacing "post traumatic" with "post-traumatic".



610 (50) Code Section 40-5-39, relating to requirements for operation of a motor vehicle for hire,  
611 for-hire license endorsements and eligibility, term, and background checks, in  
612 subparagraphs (e)(3)(B) and (e)(4)(C), by replacing "national sex offender registry" with  
613 "National Sex Offender Registry" and in subparagraph (e)(4)(A), by replacing "moving  
614 violations" with "moving traffic violations".

615 (51) Code Section 40-5-50, relating to authority of department to cancel driver's license or  
616 identification card, by replacing "personal identification card" with "identification card".

617 (52) Code Section 40-5-53, relating to when courts to send drivers' licenses and reports of  
618 convictions to department, destruction of license by department, and issuance of new license  
619 upon satisfaction of certain requirements, in paragraph (b)(2), by replacing "license as such  
620 term is defined in paragraph (17) of Code section 40-5-1," with "license,".

621 (53) Code Section 40-5-67.1, relating to chemical tests, implied consent notices, rights of  
622 motorists, test results, refusal to submit, suspension or disqualification, administrative license  
623 suspension hearing and review, and inspection and certification of breath-testing instruments,  
624 in paragraph (g)(3), by inserting a comma following "however, that".

625 (54) Code Section 40-5-67.2, relating to terms and conditions for implied consent license  
626 suspension, administrative license suspensions in relation to post-conviction suspension, and  
627 eligibility for limited driving permit or ignition interlock device limited driving permit, at the  
628 end of paragraph (a)(1), by replacing the period with a semicolon and at the end of  
629 paragraph (a)(2), by replacing the period with "; and".

630 (55) Code Section 40-5-81, relating to certification and approval of courses by department  
631 and prohibited behavior by a clinic or program, in subsection (c), by replacing "by e-mail"  
632 with "by email".

633 (56) Code Section 40-5-100, relating to personal identification cards, contents, possession  
634 of more than one card prohibited, and optional contributions to and participation in voluntary  
635 programs, in subsection (a), by replacing "personal identification cards" with "identification

636 cards" and in paragraphs (e)(2) and (f)(2), by replacing "personal identification card" with  
637 "identification card" each time the phrase appears.

638 (57) Code Section 40-5-107, relating to personal identification cards upon release from  
639 confinement, in subsections (a) and (b), by replacing "a personal identification card" with "an  
640 identification card" each time the phrase appears.

641 (58) Code Section 40-5-120, relating to unlawful use of driver's license or identification card  
642 and penalties for violations of chapter generally, in paragraphs (1), (2), and (3), by replacing  
643 "personal identification card" with "identification card".

644 (59) Code Section 40-5-142, relating to definitions regarding commercial driver's licenses,  
645 in the undesignated text at the end of subparagraph (7)(C), by inserting a comma following  
646 "however, that" and by deleting "as defined in paragraph (5) of Code Section 40-1-1".

647 (60) Code Section 40-5-148.3, relating to submission of medical examiner's certificate for  
648 commercial drivers' licenses and penalty for false submissions, in subsection (c), by inserting  
649 a comma following "updated".

650 (61) Code Section 40-5-150, relating to contents of commercial driver's license,  
651 classifications, endorsements and restrictions, information to be obtained before issuance,  
652 notice of issuance, expiration of license, and renewal, in paragraph (b)(4), by replacing  
653 "motorcycle as defined in Code Section 40-1-1; and" with "motorcycle; and".

654 (62) Code Section 40-5-151, relating to disqualification from driving a commercial motor  
655 vehicle and action required after suspending, revoking, or canceling license or nonresident  
656 privileges, in subsections (a.1), (b), and (c), by deleting "as defined in paragraph (18.2) of  
657 Code Section 40-5-142", in subsection (b) and paragraph (g)(3), by replacing "49 U.S.C. app.  
658 1804" with "49 C.F.R. 105" each time the phrase appears and by deleting "Section 105 of",  
659 and in paragraphs (f)(1) and (f)(2), by deleting "as defined in paragraph (22) of Code Section  
660 40-5-142".

661 (63) Code Section 40-5-171, relating to issuance and contents of identification cards for  
662 persons with disabilities, in the introductory language of subsection (a), by replacing  
663 "personal identification cards" with "identification cards".

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**SECTION 5.**

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666 Title 48 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to revenue and taxation, is  
667 amended in:

668 (1) Code Section 48-2-55, relating to attachment and garnishment and levy by the  
669 Commissioner of Revenue, in paragraph (c)(2), by inserting "that" following "however," and  
670 in subparagraph (d)(2)(B), by replacing "Internet" with "internet" both times the term  
671 appears.

672 (2) Code Section 48-3-3, relating to tax executions by tax collectors and commissioners, in  
673 division (e)(1)(B)(i), by replacing "e-mail" with "email" both times the term appears.

674 (3) Code Section 48-3-13, relating to procedures for petition to reduce tax execution to  
675 judgment, in subsection (b), by replacing "petition shall name" with "petition provided for  
676 in subsection (a) of this Code section shall name" and in subsection (d), by replacing  
677 "petition shall name" with "petition provided for in subsection (c) of this Code section shall  
678 name".

679 (4) Code Section 48-3-43, relating to availability of information of tax executions via  
680 electronic means, public records, unlawful use of data, and regulatory authority, in the  
681 introductory language of subsection (a), by replacing "Internet" with "internet".

682 (5) Code Section 48-4-1, relating to procedures for sales under tax levies and executions, in  
683 the introductory language of paragraph (a)(1), by inserting a comma following "however,  
684 that" and by replacing "delivery." with "delivery, return receipt requested.".

685 (6) Code Section 48-4-61, relating to land bank authority established by interlocal  
686 cooperation agreement, powers, purpose, and dissolution, in subsection (c), by replacing  
687 "paragraph (2.1) of subsection (u) of Code Section 16-13-49" with "subsection (d) of Code  
688 Section 9-16-19" and by replacing "pursuant to Code Section 16-13-49" with "pursuant to  
689 Chapter 16 of Title 9".

690 (7) Code Section 48-4-63, relating to administration of properties by land bank authorities,  
691 in subsection (c), by replacing "subparagraph (a)(2)(A)" with "subparagraph (a)(3)(A)".

692 (8) Code Section 48-4-106, relating to land bank powers and limitation or withdrawal of  
693 power by land bank member under certain circumstances, in paragraph (a)(18), by replacing  
694 "paragraph (2.1) of subsection (u) of Code Section 16-13-49" with "Chapter 16 of Title 9".

695 (9) Code Section 48-5-7.4, relating to bona fide conservation use property, residential  
696 transitional property, application procedures, penalties for breach of covenant, classification  
697 on tax digest, and annual report, in paragraph (b)(6), by inserting a comma following  
698 "however, that".

699 (10) Code Section 48-5-7.7, relating to Georgia forest land protection, short title, and  
700 method, qualifications, and conditions of preferential assessment, in paragraphs (c)(3) and  
701 (f)(1), by inserting a comma following "however, that".

702 (11) Code Section 48-5-40, relating to definitions regarding tax exemptions, in  
703 paragraph (2), by replacing "health care" with "healthcare" both times the term appears.

704 (12) Code Section 48-5-41, relating to property exempt from taxation, in  
705 divisions (a)(5)(B)(ii) and (a)(5)(B)(iii), by replacing "health care" with "healthcare".

706 (13) Code Section 48-5-48.6, relating to level 2 freeport exemption and referendum, in  
707 subsection (e), by inserting a comma following "however, that".

708 (14) Code Section 48-5-137, relating to tax collectors and tax commissioners as ex officio  
709 sheriffs, by revising subsection (f) as follows:

710 "(f) With respect to a tax collector or tax commissioner or his deputy acting pursuant to  
711 this Code section in the county in which he holds office, the requirement of written consent

712 of the sheriff shall not apply in any county with a population of not less than 300,000  
713 ~~counties within the following population brackets~~ according to the United States decennial  
714 census of 1970 or any future such census:

715 ~~(1) Not less than 300,000;~~

716 ~~(2) Reserved.~~

717 ~~(3) Reserved.~~

718 ~~(4) Reserved.~~

719 ~~(5) Reserved."~~

720 (15) Code Section 48-5-148, relating to interest on unpaid taxes, rate, and record of interest  
721 and taxes collected, in paragraph (a)(3), by replacing "e-mail" with "email" both times it  
722 appears and in subsection (c), by replacing "(except Code Section 48-5-511)" with "except  
723 Code Section 48-5-511".

724 (16) Code Section 48-5-183, relating to salaries of tax collectors and tax commissioners, in  
725 subparagraph (b)(2)(A), by replacing "where applicable shall" with "where applicable, shall"  
726 and by inserting a comma following "however, that".

727 (17) Code Section 48-5-269, relating to authority to promulgate rules and regulations  
728 regarding uniform books, records, forms, and manuals for equalization of assessments and  
729 limits on change in current use value of conservation use property, in subsection (c), by  
730 inserting a comma following "however, that".

731 (18) Code Section 48-5-306, relating to annual notice of current tax assessment, contents,  
732 posting notice, and new assessment description, in subparagraph (b)(1)(G) and  
733 subsection (c), by replacing "website" with "internet website".

734 (19) Code Section 48-5-311, relating to creation of county boards of equalization, duties,  
735 review of tax assessments, and appeals, in subparagraphs (e)(3)(B) and (e)(3)(C), by  
736 replacing "the website" with "the internet website" and by replacing "a website" with "an  
737 internet website".

- 738 (20) Code Section 48-5-350, relating to power to levy and collect tax to provide funds for  
739 municipal development authorities, by replacing "however," with "however, that".
- 740 (21) Code Section 48-5-359.1, relating to contracts for county tax commissioners to prepare  
741 municipal tax digests and assess and collect municipal taxes, in subparagraph (a)(3)(B), by  
742 replacing "county which" with "county, which".
- 743 (22) Code Section 48-5-444, relating to place of return of motor vehicles and mobile homes  
744 for ad valorem taxation, in division (a)(3)(A)(i), by replacing "paragraph (2)" with  
745 "paragraph (3) of subsection (a)".
- 746 (23) Code Section 48-5-493, relating to failure to attach and display decal, penalties, and  
747 venue for prosecution regarding ad valorem taxation of mobile homes, in paragraph (a)(2),  
748 by inserting a comma following "however, that".
- 749 (24) Code Section 48-6-60, relating to definitions regarding intangible recording tax, in  
750 paragraph (1), by inserting a comma following "however, that".
- 751 (25) Code Section 48-6-61, relating to filing instruments securing long-term notes,  
752 procedure, intangible recording tax, rate, and maximum tax, by inserting a comma following  
753 "however, that".
- 754 (26) Code Section 48-6-62, relating to certification of payment of intangible recording tax,  
755 effect of filing instrument prior to payment, and alternate procedure for filing new or  
756 modified note secured by previously recorded instrument, in paragraph (a)(2), by replacing  
757 "intangibles" with "intangible".
- 758 (27) Code Section 48-7-27, relating to computation of taxable net income, at the end of  
759 subparagraph (a)(12.4)(B), by replacing the period with a semicolon.
- 760 (28) Code Section 48-7-29.2, relating to tax credits for qualified caregiving expenses, in  
761 paragraph (a)(1), by replacing "health care equipment" with "healthcare equipment".
- 762 (29) Code Section 48-7-29.11, relating to tax credits for certain teleworking expenses, in  
763 paragraph (a)(1), by replacing "Internet" with "internet".

764 (30) Code Section 48-7-32, relating to taxation of railroad and public service corporations,  
765 computation of net income where business is within and outside state, and net income for all  
766 other such corporations, in subsection (a), by replacing "corporation including," with  
767 "corporation, including,".

768 (31) Code Section 48-7-40, relating to designation of counties as less developed areas and  
769 tax credits for certain business enterprises, in paragraph (a)(1), by replacing "Internet or  
770 Internet Protocol" with "internet or IP", by replacing "'Broadcasting'" with "Such term", and  
771 by replacing "Internet" with "internet" and in paragraph (e)(1), by inserting a comma  
772 following "however, that".

773 (32) Code Section 48-7-40.1, relating to tax credits for business enterprises in less developed  
774 areas, in paragraph (a)(1), by replacing "Internet or Internet Protocol" with "internet or IP",  
775 by replacing "'Broadcasting'" with "Such term", and by replacing "Internet" with "internet"  
776 and in paragraph (e)(1), by inserting a comma following "however, that" both times the  
777 phrase appears and by inserting a comma following "of this Code section".

778 (33) Code Section 48-7-40.2, relating to tax credits for existing manufacturing and  
779 telecommunications facilities in tier 1 counties, in paragraph (c)(1), by inserting a comma  
780 following "however, that" and at the end of subparagraph (c)(2)(A), by replacing the colon  
781 with a period.

782 (34) Code Section 48-7-40.3, relating to tax credits for existing manufacturing and  
783 telecommunications facilities in tier 2 counties, in paragraph (c)(1), by inserting a comma  
784 following "however, that".

785 (35) Code Section 48-7-40.4, relating to tax credits for existing manufacturing and  
786 telecommunications facilities or manufacturing and telecommunications support facilities in  
787 tier 3 or 4 counties, in paragraph (c)(1), by inserting a comma following "however, that".

788 (36) Code Section 48-7-40.5, relating to tax credits for employers providing approved  
789 retraining programs, in subparagraph (a)(1)(A), by replacing "e-mail" with "email".

790 (37) Code Section 48-7-40.6, relating to tax credits for employers providing child care, in  
791 paragraph (a)(5), by inserting a comma following "however, that".

792 (38) Code Section 48-7-40.12, relating to tax credits for qualified research expenses, in  
793 paragraph (a)(2), by replacing "Internet or Internet Protocol" with "internet or IP", by  
794 replacing "'Broadcasting'" with "Such term", and by replacing "Internet" with "internet".

795 (39) Code Section 48-7-40.15, relating to alternative tax credits for base year port traffic  
796 increases, in subparagraphs (a)(1)(A) and (a)(1)(B), by inserting a comma following  
797 "however, that" and in paragraph (a)(2), by replacing "Internet or Internet Protocol" with  
798 "internet or IP", by replacing "'Broadcasting'" with "Such term", and by replacing "Internet"  
799 with "internet".

800 (40) Code Section 48-7-40.15A, relating to increased job tax credit based on increase in port  
801 traffic, in paragraph (a)(1), by inserting a comma following "however, that".

802 (41) Code Section 48-7-40.16, relating to tax credits for alternative fuel, low-emission and  
803 zero-emission vehicles, and electric vehicle chargers, in subparagraph (e)(1)(B), by inserting  
804 a comma following "however, that".

805 (42) Code Section 48-7-40.21, relating to tax credits for existing business enterprises  
806 undergoing qualified business expansion, recapture, and application of credit, in  
807 paragraph (a)(1), by replacing by replacing "Internet or Internet Protocol" with "internet or  
808 IP", by replacing "'Broadcasting'" with "Such term", and by replacing "Internet" with  
809 "internet".

810 (43) Code Section 48-7-40.22, relating to tax credits for business enterprises for leased  
811 motor vehicles, daily ridership, and implementation, in paragraph (a)(1), by replacing  
812 "Internet or Internet Protocol" with "internet or IP", by replacing "'Broadcasting'" with "Such  
813 term", and by replacing "Internet" with "internet".

814 (44) Code Section 48-7-40.24, relating to tax credits for jobs associated with large-scale  
815 projects, in subsection (d), by inserting a comma following "however, that".



816 (45) Code Section 48-7-40.35, which is repealed, by designating said Code section as  
817 reserved.

818 (46) Code Section 48-7-128, relating to withholding tax on sale or transfer of real property  
819 and associated tangible personal property by nonresidents, in paragraph (b)(1), by inserting  
820 a comma following "however, that".

821 (47) Code Section 48-8-2, relating to definitions regarding general provisions for state sales  
822 and use tax, in subdivision (8)(I)(i)(III), by replacing "Internet," with "internet," in  
823 division (8)(M)(i), by replacing "Internet" with "internet", in paragraph (34.1), by deleting  
824 the subparagraph (A) designation and by redesignating divisions (i), (ii), and (iii) as  
825 subparagraphs (A), (B), and (C), respectively, and in paragraph (39), by replacing "The term  
826 telecommunications service" with "Such term", by replacing "Internet" with "internet", and  
827 by replacing "Telecommunications service" with "Such term".

828 (48) Code Section 48-8-3, relating to exemptions regarding general provisions of state sales  
829 and use tax, in subparagraph (68)(G), by replacing the period with a semicolon at the end,  
830 in subparagraph (68.1)(H), by replacing the period with a semicolon at the end, and in  
831 division (75)(B)(vi), by inserting a comma following "however, that".

832 (49) Code Section 48-8-77, relating to sourcing for taxation, definitions, sales of advertising  
833 and promotional direct mail and other direct mail, and sales of telecommunications service,  
834 in paragraph (e)(3), by inserting a comma following "however, that".

835 (50) Code Section 48-8-82, relating to authorization of counties and municipalities to impose  
836 joint sales and use tax, rate, and applicability to sales of motor fuels and food and beverages,  
837 in subsection (b), by inserting a comma following "however, that".

838 (51) Code Section 48-8-111, relating to procedure for imposition of county special purpose  
839 local option sales tax, resolution or ordinance, notice to county election superintendent, and  
840 election, in subsection (d), by inserting a comma following "however, that".

841 (52) Code Section 48-8-112, relating to effective date of tax, termination of tax, limitation  
842 on taxation, and continuation of tax regarding county special purpose local option sales tax,  
843 in paragraph (c)(2), by inserting a comma following "however, that".

844 (53) Code Section 48-8-141, relating to manner of imposition of sales tax for educational  
845 purposes, report, and rate, in subsection (a), by inserting a comma following "however, that".

846 (54) Code Section 48-8-147, relating to requirements for ordinance or resolution authorizing  
847 consolidated government coliseum project sales tax and ballot language, in subsection (d),  
848 by inserting a comma following "however, that".

849 (55) Code Section 48-8-149, relating to administration and collection of consolidated  
850 government coliseum project sales taxes, by replacing "in behalf of" with "on behalf of".

851 (56) Code Section 48-8-202, relating to requirement of municipal ordinance or resolution  
852 authorizing water and sewer projects and costs tax, voter approval, and form for ballot, in  
853 subsection (d), by inserting a comma following "however, that".

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## **SECTION 6.**

855

### *Miscellaneous*

856 The Official Code of Georgia Annotated is further amended in:

857 (1) Code Section 5-3-3, relating to definitions regarding superior and state appellate practice,  
858 in subparagraphs (11)(A) through (11)(C), by deleting "the respondent shall be".

859 (2) Code Section 9-13-142, relating to requirements for official organ of publication,  
860 designation where no journal or newspaper qualifies, how official organ changed, and notice  
861 to Secretary of State regarding judicial sales, in paragraph (b)(1), by replacing "However, in  
862 counties" with "In counties" and by replacing "the preceding subsection" with "subsection  
863 (a) of this Code section" and in paragraph (b)(2), by deleting "of paragraph (1)".

864 (3) Code Section 14-3-741, relating to standing regarding derivative proceedings of  
865 nonprofit corporations, at the end of paragraph (a)(1), by deleting "or".

866 (4) Code Section 14-3-864, relating to effect of court approval of conflicting interest  
 867 transaction of directors and officers of nonprofit corporations, by inserting a comma  
 868 following "corporation" and by inserting "of" following "paragraph (3)".

869 (5) Code Section 14-3-1509, relating to resignation of registered agent of foreign nonprofit  
 870 corporation, in subsection (b), by deleting the comma following "registration".

871 (6) Code Section 15-6-34, relating to the creation of The Council of Superior Court Judges  
 872 of Georgia, composition, purpose, expenses, and acceptance and publication of uniform  
 873 standards, in subsection (d), by replacing "paragraph (b)" with "subsection (b)".

874 (7) Code Section 15-11-442.1, relating to placement of a child in need of services, is  
 875 amended as follows:

876 "15-11-442.1.

877 (a)~~(1)~~ As used in this Code section, the term 'CHINS' means a child in need of services.

878 ~~(2)~~(b) Prior to placing a child in the custody of DFCS on a nonemergency basis or in the  
 879 absence of exceptional circumstances based on evidence adduced at a disposition hearing,  
 880 the court shall:

881 ~~(A)~~(1) Comply with Article 3 of ~~Chapter 11 of this title~~ this chapter;

882 ~~(B)~~(2) Consider on the record what services have been provided to the child or his or her  
 883 parent or guardian;

884 ~~(C)~~(3) Consider on the record what services are available to the child or his or her parent  
 885 or guardian which could allow the child to remain in his or her home;

886 ~~(D)~~(4) Consider on the record what efforts have been made to secure placement of the  
 887 child other than in the custody of DFCS;

888 ~~(E)~~(5) Consider on the record whether a child protective services report was made in  
 889 accordance with ~~paragraph (3) of this subsection~~ (c) of this Code section and if not, the  
 890 court shall notify DFCS through the county director, the court liaison, or the attorney  
 891 representing DFCS by phone or email that the court will be considering placing the child  
 892 into the custody of DFCS. DFCS shall have an opportunity to be present at the case

893 disposition hearing of the child in need of services to provide information to the court as  
 894 to the availability of services for the child. Notice to the DFCS county office via; phone,  
 895 email, or other means shall be considered sufficient; and

896 ~~(F)~~(6) As used in this ~~paragraph~~ subsection, the term 'consider on the record' means the  
 897 court's foundational inquiry regarding the possible services available to a dependent child.

898 ~~(3)~~(c) In any CHINS case in which DJJ or any county operated probation office serving  
 899 the court determines that there is a reasonable basis to believe that the child is dependent,  
 900 it shall make a child protective services report to the ~~Statewide Child Protective Services~~  
 901 ~~Communication Center~~ Statewide Child Protective Services Intake Communications Center  
 902 (CICC) and shall notify the county director of the DFCS office in the county in which  
 903 disposition is to be made in the CHINS case.

904 ~~(4)~~(d) Once a child has been ordered into the custody of DFCS, the court shall comply  
 905 with Article 3 of ~~Chapter 11 of this title~~ this chapter, including conducting a preliminary  
 906 protective hearing not later than 72 hours after the child is placed in DFCS custody as  
 907 required by Code Section 15-11-145.

908 ~~(5)~~(e)(1) All parties to the CHINS case shall provide copies of all medical,  
 909 psychological, and educational assessments and reports pertaining to the child and the  
 910 child's parent or guardian in their possession to DFCS no later than 72 hours after a child  
 911 has been ordered into the custody of DFCS by the court.

912 ~~(A)~~(2) The court shall make an inquiry as to whether any parties to the CHINS case or  
 913 court personnel, including the court clerk's file, have either possession of or immediate  
 914 access to such records. The parties or personnel in possession of such records or with  
 915 access to such records shall provide copies of all such records to DFCS; ;

916 ~~(B)~~(3) Each county DFCS office shall designate at least one county DFCS employee to  
 917 receive such documents via email; ~~and.~~

918 ~~(C)~~(4) The court shall also inquire of all parties to the CHINS case as to the existence of  
 919 assessments, evaluations, and reports pertaining to the child that are not in the possession

920 of the parties. If any such records exist, the court shall immediately order the production  
 921 of said records to DFCS.

922 ~~(6)(f)~~ Nothing contained in this Code section shall abrogate the authority of the court to  
 923 order a child into protective custody in accordance with Code Section 15-11-133."

924 (8) Code Section 15-11-601.1, relating to the role of judiciary prior to placing a child in  
 925 custody of DFCS, is amended as follows:

926 "15-11-601.1.

927 (a)~~(1)~~ Prior to placing a child in the custody of DFCS on a nonemergency basis or in the  
 928 absence of exceptional circumstances based on evidence adduced at a disposition hearing,  
 929 the court shall:

930 ~~(A)~~(1) Comply with Article 3 of ~~Chapter 11 of this title~~ this chapter;

931 ~~(B)~~(2) Consider on the record what services have been provided to the child or his or her  
 932 parent or guardian;

933 ~~(C)~~(3) Consider on the record what efforts have been made to secure placement of the  
 934 child other than in the custody of DFCS;

935 ~~(D)~~(4) Consider on the record whether a child protective services report was made in  
 936 accordance with ~~paragraph (2) of this subsection~~ (b) of this Code section and if not, the  
 937 court shall notify DFCS through the county director, the court liaison, or the attorney  
 938 representing DFCS by phone or email that the court will be considering placing the child  
 939 into the custody of DFCS. DFCS shall have an opportunity to be present at the  
 940 delinquency hearing to provide information to the court as to the availability of services  
 941 for the child. Notice to the DFCS county office via; phone, email, or other means shall  
 942 be considered sufficient; and

943 ~~(E)~~(5) As used in this ~~paragraph~~ subsection, the term 'consider on the record' means the  
 944 court's foundational inquiry regarding the possible services available to a dependent child.

945 ~~(2)~~(b) In any delinquency case in which DJJ or any county operated probation office  
 946 serving the court determines that there is a reasonable basis to believe that the child is

947 dependent, it shall make a child protective services report to the ~~Statewide Child Protective~~  
948 ~~Services Communication Center~~ Statewide Child Protective Services Intake  
949 Communications Center (CICC) and shall notify the county director of the DFCS office  
950 in the county in which disposition is to be made in the delinquency case.

951 ~~(3)(c)~~ Once a child has been ordered into the custody of DFCS, the court shall comply  
952 with Article 3 of ~~Chapter 11 of this title~~ this chapter, including conducting a preliminary  
953 protective hearing to be held not later than 72 hours after the child is placed in DFCS  
954 custody as required by Code Section 15-11-145.

955 ~~(4)(d)(1)~~ All parties to the delinquency case shall provide copies of all medical,  
956 psychological, and educational assessments and reports pertaining to the child and the  
957 child's parent or guardian in their possession to DFCS no later than 72 hours after a child  
958 has been ordered into the custody of DFCS by the court.

959 ~~(A)(2)~~ The court shall make an inquiry as to whether any parties to the delinquency case  
960 or court personnel, including the court clerk's file, have either possession of or immediate  
961 access to such records. The parties or personnel in possession of such records or with  
962 access to such records shall provide copies of all such records to DFCS;.

963 ~~(B)(3)~~ Each county DFCS office shall designate at least one county DFCS employee to  
964 receive such documents via email; ~~and~~.

965 ~~(C)(4)~~ The court shall also inquire as to the existence of assessments, evaluations, and  
966 reports pertaining to the child that are not in the possession of the parties. If any such  
967 records exist, the court shall immediately order the production of said records to DFCS.

968 ~~(5)(e)~~ Nothing contained in this Code section shall abrogate the authority of the court to  
969 order a child into protective custody in accordance with Code Section 15-11-133."

970 (9) Code Section 15-18-6, relating to duties of district attorney, in paragraph (4), by  
971 replacing "exists, and make" with "exists and to make".

972 (10) Code Section 16-11-107, relating to interfering with, harming of, or aggravated harming  
973 of a public safety animal or search and rescue animal and penalty, in paragraph (a)(1), by  
974 inserting "is" before "defined".

975 (11) Code Section 17-10-1, relating to fixing of sentence, suspension or probation of  
976 sentence, change in sentence, eligibility for parole, prohibited modifications, and exceptions,  
977 in division (a)(1)(B)(i), by deleting the sequenced numbers "(1), (2), and (3)" in the text.

978 (12) Code Section 17-15-8, relating to required findings for victim compensation, amount  
979 of award, method of payment, rejection of claim, reductions, exemptions, effective date for  
980 awards, psychological counseling for relatives of deceased, and memorials for victims of  
981 DUI homicide, in subsection (j), by replacing "step-parents" with "stepparents",  
982 "step-children" with "stepchildren", and "step-siblings" with "stepsiblings".

983 (13) Code Section 17-15-17, relating to return of fines and fees paid for victim compensation  
984 by defendants with vacated convictions, regulation, and payments, in subsection (a), by  
985 replacing "Code section" with "Code Section".

986 (14) Code Section 17-21-2, relating to definitions regarding cold case murder investigation,  
987 by revising paragraphs (2) and (3) as follows:

988 "(2) 'Cold case' means a homicide:

989 (A) That was committed more than three years prior to the date of an application by  
990 a designated person ~~under subsection (c) of this Code section; and;~~

991 (B) That was previously investigated by an agency; and

992 (C) For which all probative leads have been exhausted; or

993 ~~(D) For which no likely perpetrator has been identified.~~

994 (3) 'Designated person' means an immediate family member or their designated legal  
995 representative who shall be a member in good standing with the Georgia State Bar of  
996 Georgia."

- 997 (15) Code Section 19-7-1, relating to in whom parental power lies, how such power lost, and  
998 recovery for homicide of child or unborn child, in paragraph (b)(7), by replacing "Upon  
999 conviction" with "Conviction".
- 1000 (16) Code Section 20-1-30, relating to establishment of school policies on hazing, public  
1001 disclosure of incidents, and confidentiality of student information, in subsection (d), by  
1002 inserting "Section" following "U.S.C.".
- 1003 (17) Code Section 20-1A-10, relating to regulation of early care and education programs,  
1004 in paragraph (c)(2), by replacing "standards promulgated" with "standards promulgated by".
- 1005 (18) Code Section 20-2-153.1, relating to Georgia Early Literacy, definitions, uniform grade  
1006 appropriate metrics to measure literacy, role of school boards, and accommodations, in  
1007 subparagraph (c)(7)(C), by replacing "norm referenced" with "norm-referenced", in the  
1008 undesignated text at the end of paragraph (c)(7), by replacing "the the" with "the", and in  
1009 subparagraph (d)(4)(A), by replacing "exhibits" with "exhibit" and by replacing "on universal  
1010 reading screener" with "on a universal screener".
- 1011 (19) Code Section 20-2-154.1, relating to alternative education programs, alternative charter  
1012 schools, intent, description, requirements, designation, funding, and effectiveness, by  
1013 redesignating subsection (m) as subsection (l).
- 1014 (20) Code Section 20-2-281, relating to student assessments, in subsection (a), by replacing  
1015 "norm referenced" with "norm-referenced".
- 1016 (21) Code Section 20-2-286, relating to innovative academic assessment pilot program,  
1017 procedure, and reporting, in paragraph (f)(3), by replacing "norm referenced" with  
1018 "norm-referenced".
- 1019 (22) Code Section 20-2-690, relating to educational entities, requirements for private schools  
1020 and home study programs, and learning pod protection regarding compulsory attendance, in  
1021 paragraph (c)(7), by replacing "norm reference" with "norm-referenced".



1022 (23) Code Section 20-2-779.3, relating to seizure action plan for schools, form, and liability,  
1023 at the end of division (d)(1)(C)(i), by replacing "; and" with a period and in paragraph (f)(2),  
1024 by replacing "and with epilepsy" with "and epilepsy".

1025 (24) Code Section 32-6-27, as effective until July 1, 2025, relating to enforcement of load  
1026 limitations, in division (a)(1)(B)(i), by replacing "equal 25,520" with "equal to 25,250", in  
1027 division (a)(1)(C)(i), by replacing "equal 51,000" with "equal to 51,000" and in  
1028 subparagraph (a)(2)(A), by replacing "weight of any" with "weight for any" and "limitations  
1029 including" with "limitations, including".

1030 (25) Code Section 34-8-159.1, relating to installment payments by nonprofit organizations  
1031 for finance unemployment benefits, in subsection (a), by replacing "however," with  
1032 "however, that".

1033 (26) Code Section 36-60-17.1, relating to localities prohibited from requiring connection  
1034 with or use of water supplied by a public water system except when other water unfit,  
1035 charges or fees for services made available but not used prohibited, and applicability, in  
1036 subsection (d), by replacing "Subsections (a), (b), and (c) of this" with "This".

1037 (27) Code Section 36-66-4, relating to hearings on proposed zoning decisions, notice of  
1038 hearing, nongovernmental initiated actions, reconsideration of defeated actions, and  
1039 procedure on zoning, in the introductory language of paragraph (h)(1) and the introductory  
1040 language of subparagraph (h)(1)(B), by replacing "must" with "shall".

1041 (28) Code Section 36-80-30, relating to lemonade stands, in subparagraphs (c)(1)(A) and  
1042 (c)(1)(B), by replacing "High School Equivalency" with "high school equivalency".

1043 (29) Code Section 37-1-7, relating to funding for new co-responder programs, by replacing  
1044 "Title 37" with "this title".

1045 (30) Code Section 37-1-124, relating to independent evaluations of assisted outpatient  
1046 treatment programs, sharing, and reporting of information, in subsection (c), by replacing  
1047 "House Committee on Health and Human Services" with "House Committee on Health".

1048 (31) Code Section 40-7-40.15, relating to alternative tax credits for base year port traffic  
1049 increases, in subparagraphs (a)(1)(A) and (a)(1)(B), by inserting a comma following  
1050 "however, that" and in paragraph (a)(2), by replacing "Internet" with "internet".

1051 (32) Code Section 40-11-16, relating to duty of towing and storage firm when removal of  
1052 abandoned motor vehicle is at request of property owners and obligations of repair facility  
1053 or salvage dealer in possession of vehicle, in paragraph (a)(2), by replacing "copy of the  
1054 request described in subsection (a) of this Code section" with "notice of removal" both times  
1055 the phrase appears.

1056 (33) Code Section 43-1-33, relating to advertisement, signage, and identifier requirements  
1057 for health care practitioners, in subparagraph (c)(5)(E), by replacing "certified nurse midwife,  
1058 clinical nurse specialist, registered professional nurse," with "certified nurse midwife, and  
1059 clinical nurse specialist; registered professional nurse;" .

1060 (34) Code Section 45-9-86, relating to application for indemnification under the Georgia  
1061 State Indemnification Fund, in subsection (c), by replacing "public service officer" with  
1062 "public safety officer".

1063 (35) Code Section 49-4A-7, relating to powers and duties of Department of Juvenile Justice,  
1064 in paragraph (a)(3), by replacing "Title 49" with "this title".

1065 (36) Code Section 50-27-34, relating to the legislative oversight committee of the Georgia  
1066 Lottery Corporation, in subsection (a), by replacing "authority" with "corporation" both times  
1067 the term appears.

1068 (37) Code Section 51-4-2, relating to wrongful death of spouse or parent, in  
1069 subparagraph (b)(3)(A), by replacing ", and" with "; and" and in subsection (c), by replacing  
1070 "authorized representative thereof" with "authorized representative thereof,".

1071 (38) Code Section 52-7-3, relating to definitions regarding general provisions for  
1072 registration, operation, and sale of watercraft, in paragraph (1), by replacing "The term  
1073 'alcohol concentration'" with "'Alcohol concentration'" .

1074 (39) Code Section 52-7-14, relating to collisions, accidents, or other casualty regarding  
1075 watercraft and salvage rights, in subparagraph (a)(1)(C), by replacing "in accident," with "in  
1076 such accident," in paragraph (a)(2), by replacing "shall remain" with "remain", in paragraph  
1077 (a)(3), by replacing "not less that" with "not less than", and in paragraph (c)(1), by replacing  
1078 "facility," with "facility" and by replacing "hospital, which" with "hospital which".

1079 **SECTION 7.**

1080 *Reenactment*

1081 (a) In accordance with subsection (c) of Code Section 28-9-5, the following portions  
1082 included in the Official Code of Georgia Annotated published under authority of the state by  
1083 LEXIS Publishing, including all 2023 supplements and revised volumes thereof, are hereby  
1084 reenacted, and such reenactment shall have the effect of adopting and giving force and effect  
1085 of law to the following portions as contained in such supplements and volumes:

1086 (1) Statutory text; and

1087 (2) Arrangement and numbering system, including, but not limited to, title, chapter, article,  
1088 part, subpart, Code section, subsection, paragraph, subparagraph, division, and subdivision  
1089 numbers and designations.

1090 (b) The following portions included in the Official Code of Georgia Annotated published  
1091 under authority of the state by LEXIS Publishing, including all 2023 supplements and revised  
1092 volumes thereof, are specifically not enacted or reenacted, have no binding authority, bear  
1093 no weight or effect, and shall not be construed to have the imprimatur of the General  
1094 Assembly or the State of Georgia:

1095 (1) Case annotations;

1096 (2) Research references, including, but not limited to:

1097 (A) Law reviews;

1098 (B) Collateral references to secondary sources;

- 1099 (C) Opinions of the Georgia Attorney General;
- 1100 (D) Advisory opinions of the State Bar; and
- 1101 (E) Cross-references;
- 1102 (3) Captions;
- 1103 (4) Catchlines;
- 1104 (5) Headings;
- 1105 (6) Title and chapter analyses;
- 1106 (7) History lines;
- 1107 (8) Repeal lines;
- 1108 (9) Editorial notes;
- 1109 (10) Amendment notes;
- 1110 (11) Code Commission notes;
- 1111 (12) Effective date notes;
- 1112 (13) Tables;
- 1113 (14) User's Guide;
- 1114 (15) General Index;
- 1115 (16) Volume indices;
- 1116 (17) Indices related to local and special laws;
- 1117 (18) Conversion tables;
- 1118 (19) The United States Constitution;
- 1119 (20) The Georgia Constitution;
- 1120 (21) Rules and regulations of state agencies, departments, boards, commissions, or other
- 1121 entities;
- 1122 (22) Material in brackets or parentheses and editorial, delayed effective date, effect of
- 1123 amendment, or other similar notes within the text of a Code section which have been added
- 1124 by the publisher in order to explain or to prevent a misapprehension concerning the
- 1125 contents of the Code section; and

1126 (23) Any other matter published in the Official Code of Georgia Annotated which is not  
1127 included in subsection (a) of this section.

1128 (c) The reenactment of the portions of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated by  
1129 subsection (a) of this section shall not affect, supersede, or repeal any Act of the General  
1130 Assembly, or portion thereof, which is not contained in the Official Code of Georgia  
1131 Annotated and which was not repealed by Code Section 1-1-10, specifically including those  
1132 Acts which have not yet been included in the text of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated  
1133 because of effective dates which extend beyond the effective date of the Code or the  
1134 publication date of the Code or its supplements. This subsection shall not apply to any Act  
1135 or portion thereof which was superseded due to conflict as provided by subsection (b) of  
1136 Code Section 28-9-5.

1137 (d) The provisions contained in Sections 1 through 6 of this Act and in the other Acts  
1138 enacted at the 2023 regular session of the General Assembly of Georgia shall supersede the  
1139 provisions of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated ratified and reenacted by subsection (a)  
1140 of this section.

1141 (e) In the event of a conflict between a provision in Sections 1 through 6 of this Act and a  
1142 provision of another Act enacted at the 2024 regular session of the General Assembly, the  
1143 provision of such other Act shall control over the conflicting provision in Sections 1  
1144 through 6 of this Act to the extent of such conflict.

1145 **SECTION 8.**

1146 *Repealer*

1147 All laws and parts of laws in conflict with this Act are repealed.