

Senate Bill 48

By: Senators Henson of the 41st, Tate of the 38th, Fort of the 39th, Orrock of the 36th,
Thompson of the 5th and others

A BILL TO BE ENTITLED
AN ACT

1 To amend Chapter 5 of Title 21 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to ethics
2 in government, so as to prohibit lobbyists from giving gifts in excess of a certain value to
3 public officers; to provide for related matters; to provide for an effective date and
4 applicability; to repeal conflicting laws; and for other purposes.

5 BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF GEORGIA:

6 **SECTION 1.**

7 Chapter 5 of Title 21 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to ethics in
8 government, is amended by adding a new Code section to read as follows:

9 "21-5-77.

10 (a) No lobbyist shall make gifts to a public officer where the aggregate value of such gifts
11 exceeds \$100.00 in any calender year.

12 (b) It shall be a misdemeanor offense to violate the provisions of this Code section."

13 **SECTION 2.**

14 This Act shall become effective on January 1, 2014, and shall apply to gifts made on or after
15 such date.

16 **SECTION 3.**

17 All laws and parts of laws in conflict with this Act are repealed.