

Senate Bill 429

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**AS PASSED**

**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5 or have been preempted or superseded by subsequent laws; to codify principles of law  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 provide an effective date; to repeal conflicting laws; and for other purposes.

9 **BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF GEORGIA:**

10 **SECTION 1.**

11 Reserved.

12 **SECTION 2.**

13 Title 2 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to agriculture, is amended in:

14 (1) Code Section 2-2-10, relating to the imposition of penalty authorized in lieu of other  
15 action by the Commissioner of Agriculture and funding to general treasury, in subsection (b),  
16 by replacing "the 'Georgia Food Act,' Article 2 of Chapter 2 of Title 26," with "Article 2 of  
17 Chapter 2 of Title 26, the 'Georgia Food Act,'".

18 (2) Code Section 2-6-23, relating to the establishment, composition, terms of office, ex  
19 officio advisers, seal, and rules and regulations of the State Soil and Water Conservation  
20 Commission, in paragraph (c)(12), by replacing "state program manager of agricultural  
21 education" with "director of the Career, Technical, and Agricultural Education Division of  
22 the Department of Education".

23 **SECTION 3.**

24 Reserved.

25 **SECTION 4.**

26 Reserved.

27 **SECTION 5.**

28 Reserved.

29 **SECTION 6.**

30 Reserved.

31 **SECTION 7.**

32 Title 7 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to banking and finance, is  
33 amended in:

34 (1) Code Section 7-1-37, relating to restrictions on commissioner, deputy commissioners,  
35 and examiners, in subsection (c), by replacing "provided the obligee" with "provided that the  
36 obligee".

37 (2) Code Section 7-1-110, relating to permissive closing days and deferral of business  
38 conducted on Saturday, by replacing "provided such deferral" with "provided that such  
39 deferral".

40 (3) Code Section 7-1-114, relating to voluntary dissolution after commencement of business,  
41 in subsection (b), by replacing "provided, in the case" with "provided that, in the case".

42 (4) Code Section 7-1-115, relating to winding up voluntary dissolution proceedings, in  
43 paragraph (d)(2), by replacing "the owner including" with "the owner, including".

44 (5) Code Section 7-1-220, relating to definitions and applicability of receivership procedures  
45 involving trust or pooled assets, in paragraph (a)(2), by replacing "or 'pooled assets' as  
46 defined" with "or pooled assets, as defined".

47 (6) Code Section 7-1-234, relating to grounds for disapproving proposal, in paragraphs (6)  
48 and (7), by replacing "individual that is" with "individual who is" each time the phrase  
49 appears.

50 (7) Code Section 7-1-244, relating to deposit insurance requirements and public notices  
51 when deposits not properly insured, in subsection (a), by replacing "provided, further, such"  
52 with "provided, further, that such".

53 (8) Code Section 7-1-286, relating to real estate loans and acquisition by bank or trust  
54 company of ownership interest, in the introductory language of subsection (d), by replacing  
55 "provided:" with "provided that:".

56 (9) Code Section 7-1-288, relating to corporate stock and securities, in paragraph (d)(3), by  
57 replacing "provided such investment" with "provided that such investment".

58 (10) Code Section 7-1-291, relating to borrowings, liabilities not subject to restrictions,  
59 restrictions, and borrowing for emergencies, in the introductory language of subsection (c),  
60 by deleting the comma following "paid-in capital".

61 (11) Code Section 7-1-394, relating to investigation, approval or disapproval by department,  
62 and abbreviated procedures of banks and trust companies, in paragraph (a)(8), by replacing  
63 "any person that" with "any person who" and in paragraph (a)(9), by replacing "1681a(f) with  
64 respect to any person that" with "1681a(f), with respect to any person who".

65 (12) Code Section 7-1-396, relating to effects of certificates of incorporation and permits to  
66 begin business, in subsection (a), by replacing "'agents' or 'broker-dealers'" with "agents or  
67 broker-dealers".

68 (13) Code Section 7-1-628.7, relating to examinations and reports and powers of  
69 commissioner, in subsection (g), by replacing "provided further that," with "provided,  
70 further, that,".

71 (14) Reserved.

72 (15) Code Section 7-1-655, relating to boards of directors, credit and supervisory  
73 committees, officers, oaths of officials, removal from office, suspension of member, filling  
74 of vacancies, and notification to department of change in president or chief executive officer,  
75 in subsection (d), by replacing "chairman" with "chairperson".

76 (16) Code Section 7-1-682, relating to exemption from licensing requirements, in  
77 paragraph (9), by replacing "this section" with "this Code section".

78 (17) Code Section 7-1-684, relating to investigation of applicants for licensure and  
79 background checks on employees and others, in subsection (d), by replacing "As used in this  
80 Code section, 'conviction data' means" with "As used in this Code section, the term  
81 'conviction data' means".

82 (18) Code Section 7-1-703, relating to investigation of applicants and background checks  
83 of employees, in subsection (d), by replacing "As used in this Code section, 'conviction data'  
84 means" with "As used in this Code section, the term 'conviction data' means".

85 (19) Code Section 7-1-1004, relating to investigation of applicant and its officers, audit, and  
86 education, experience, and other requirements relative to licensees and registrants, in  
87 paragraph (g)(5), by replacing "subsection (f)" with "subsection (g)".

88 (20) The following Code sections, by replacing "Nation-wide Multistate Licensing System  
89 and Registry" with "Nationwide Multistate Licensing System and Registry" each time the  
90 term appears:

91 (A) Code Section 7-1-680, relating to definitions regarding sale of payment instruments;

92 (B) Code Section 7-1-683, relating to requirements for licensure, fees, and rules and  
93 regulations;

94 (C) Code Section 7-1-683.3, relating to authority of department;

- 95 (D) Code Section 7-1-684.1, relating to reporting to Nation-wide Multistate Licensing  
96 System and Registry;
- 97 (E) Code Section 7-1-689, relating to record keeping, investigations and examinations by  
98 department, subpoenas, confidentiality, and limitations on civil liability;
- 99 (F) Code Section 7-1-700, relating to definitions regarding cashing of payment  
100 instruments;
- 101 (G) Code Section 7-1-702, relating to requirements for licensure;
- 102 (H) Code Section 7-1-702.2, relating to authority of department;
- 103 (I) Code Section 7-1-703.1, relating to reporting on condition to Nation-wide Multistate  
104 Licensing System and Registry;
- 105 (J) Code Section 7-1-706, relating to record keeping obligations, investigations and  
106 examinations by the department, examination fees, administration of oaths and issuing of  
107 subpoenas, confidentiality, and civil liability;
- 108 (K) Code Section 7-1-1000, relating to definitions regarding licensing of mortgage lenders  
109 and mortgage brokers;
- 110 (L) Code Section 7-1-1001, relating to exemption for certain persons and entities,  
111 registration requirements, and authorized actions of licensed mortgage lenders;
- 112 (M) Code Section 7-1-1002, relating to transaction of business without a license,  
113 registration, or exemption prohibited, knowing purchase of mortgage loan from unlicensed  
114 or nonexempt broker or lender prohibited, and liability of persons controlling violators;
- 115 (N) Code Section 7-1-1003.5, relating to Nation-wide Multistate Licensing System and  
116 Registry;
- 117 (O) Code Section 7-1-1003.6, relating to privileged or confidential nature of information  
118 and exception;
- 119 (P) Code Section 7-1-1004, relating to investigation of applicant and its officers, audit,  
120 education, experience, and other requirements relative to licensees and registrants;
- 121 (Q) Code Section 7-1-1004.1, relating to reports of condition;
- 122 (R) Code Section 7-1-1004.2, relating to licensees' ability to challenge information;
- 123 (S) Code Section 7-1-1009, relating to maintenance of books, accounts, and records,  
124 investigation and examination of licensees and registrants by department, confidentiality,  
125 and exemptions from civil liability;
- 126 (T) Code Section 7-1-1011, relating to annual fees;
- 127 (U) Code Section 7-1-1013, relating to prohibition of certain acts; and
- 128 (V) Code Section 7-1-1016, relating to regulations relative to advertising.
- 129 (21) Code Section 7-2-7, relating to membership fees, refunds of fees, assessments, and  
130 premiums, and distribution of undivided corporate earnings preceding voluntary cessation

131 of business, in paragraph (e)(3), by replacing "provided the department" with "provided that  
132 the department".

133 (22) Code Section 7-3-14, relating to maximum loan amount, period, and charges, in the  
134 undesignated text at the end of paragraph (3), by replacing "provided, further, the amount"  
135 with "provided, further, that the amount".

136 (23) Code Section 7-4-5, relating to failure to include federal loan act provisions in retail  
137 installment loans and violating advertising restrictions, in subsection (b), by replacing  
138 "provided, however, this provision" with "provided, however, that this provision".

139 (24) Code Section 7-5-3, relating to organization of credit card banks, in paragraph (9), by  
140 replacing "provided, however, where" with "provided, however, that where".

141 (25) Code Section 7-5-5, relating to regulation of credit card banks, enforcement, and rules  
142 and regulations, in paragraph (b)(2), by replacing "became a 'bank' for purposes" with  
143 "became a bank for purposes".

144 (26) Code Section 7-5-6, relating to applicability of banking laws, in subsection (b), by  
145 replacing "considered a 'bank' for the purposes" with "considered a bank for purposes" and  
146 "provided, however, every" with "provided, however, that every".

147 (27) Code Section 7-6A-12, relating to application and preemption by federal law, by  
148 replacing "provided, however, the provisions" with "provided, however, that the provisions".

149 (28) Code Section 7-9-4, relating to application, fees, and minimum number of employees,  
150 in subsection (c), by replacing "provided, however, a merchant" with "provided, however,  
151 that a merchant".

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## SECTION 8.

153 Title 8 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to buildings and housing, is  
154 amended in:

155 (1) Code Section 8-2-24, relating to appointment of advisory committee, reimbursement of  
156 members for expenses, use of subcommittees, submittal of proposed amendments,  
157 modifications, and new provisions to committee, and meeting times of committee, in  
158 subsection (b), by replacing "Any appointive member" with "Any appointed member".

159 (2) Code Section 8-2-26.1, relating to definitions and requirements regarding state building,  
160 plumbing, and electrical codes, in subparagraph (a)(2)(G), by replacing "one and two-family  
161 dwelling" with "one- and two-family dwelling".

162 (3) Code Section 8-2-110, relating to legislative findings and purpose, by replacing  
163 "residents of the state" with "residents of this state".

164 (4) Code Section 8-2-201, relating to purpose and applicability of article, in subsection (a),  
165 by replacing "provided, however, such rehabilitation" with "provided, however, that such  
166 rehabilitation".

167 (5) Code Section 8-2-213, relating to final review of projects and agreement of local  
 168 authorities, by replacing "provided, however, the local" with "provided, however, that the  
 169 local".

170 (6) Code Section 8-2-215, relating to minor alterations or repairs, reduction or removal of  
 171 features, alteration or repair without further compliance, and installation of mechanical  
 172 systems, by replacing "provided their present" with "provided that their present".

173 (7) Code Section 8-2-218, relating to change of portion of building to new use or occupancy,  
 174 in subsection (b), by replacing "provided, however, if" with "provided, however, that if".

175 (8) Code Section 8-2-222, relating to immunity of state and local entities and liability of  
 176 property owner or user, by replacing "elected or appointive officer" with "elected or  
 177 appointed officer".

178 (9) Code Section 8-3-50, relating to appointment, qualifications, and tenure of  
 179 commissioners and reimbursement for expenses, by deleting paragraph (a)(4), which is  
 180 designated as reserved.

181 (10) Code Section 8-3-131, relating to definitions regarding providing housing for persons  
 182 engaged in national defense industries or activities, in paragraph (1), by replacing "in the  
 183 state" with "in this state".

184 (11) Code Section 8-3-150, relating to the "Housing Cooperation Law," by replacing "may  
 185 be referred to as" with "shall be known and may be cited as".

186 (12) Code Section 8-3-200, relating to state policy and purposes and construction of article,  
 187 in subsection (a), by replacing "throughout the state" with "throughout this state" and in  
 188 paragraph (b)(4), by replacing "within the state" with "within this state".

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#### **SECTION 9.**

190 Title 9 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to civil practice, is amended in:

191 (1) Code Section 9-11-5, relating to service and filing of pleadings subsequent to the original  
 192 complaint and other papers, in paragraph (f)(3), by replacing "e-mail" with "email".

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#### **SECTION 10.**

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

196 (1) Code Section 10-1-164.1, relating to self-service gasoline price for drivers holding  
 197 special disability permit, in the introductory language of subsection (a), by replacing "Code  
 198 Section 40-6-222" with "Code Section 40-2-74.1".

199 (2) Code Section 10-1-622, relating to definitions regarding motor vehicle franchise  
 200 practices, in the introductory language of paragraph (.1), by replacing "15 U.S.C. s. 6809(4)"  
 201 with "15 U.S.C. Section 6809(4)".

202 (3) Code Section 10-1-632, relating to protection of consumer data in motor vehicle sales  
203 or lease transactions and burden of proof for violations, in paragraph (a)(2) and  
204 subparagraph (a)(3)(A), by replacing "15 U.S.C. 6801" with "15 U.S.C. Section 6801" and  
205 in paragraph (a)(5), by replacing "this section" with "this Code section".

206 **SECTION 11.**

207 Title 11 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to the Uniform Commercial  
208 Code, is amended in:

209 (1) Code Section 11-4A-204, relating to refund of payment and duty of customer to report  
210 with respect to unauthorized payment order, at the end of subsection (a), by replacing  
211 "section" with "subsection".

212 **SECTION 12.**

213 Title 12 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to conservation and natural  
214 resources, is amended in:

215 (1) Code Section 12-3-114, relating to policies to guide department in creating and  
216 administering system of scenic trails, in subparagraph (1)(G), by inserting "and" following  
217 "Code Section 40-1-1;"

218 (2) Code Section 12-6A-4, relating to definitions regarding outdoor stewardship, in  
219 subparagraph (1)(B), by replacing "habitat" with "habitats".

220 **SECTION 13.**

221 Reserved.

222 **SECTION 14.**

223 Reserved.

224 **SECTION 15.**

225 Title 15 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to courts, is amended in:

226 (1) Code Section 15-5A-1, relating to the establishment of the Georgia State-wide Business  
227 Court, by replacing "on or after the May 7, 2019" with "on or after May 7, 2019".

228 (2) Code Section 15-5A-2, relating to terms of court, location, presiding judge, venue, and  
229 transferring of case, in paragraph (e)(2), by replacing "Judge" with "judge".

230 (3) Code Section 15-5A-4, relating to the process for bringing a claim before court and  
231 filings, in subparagraphs (a)(3)(A) and (a)(3)(B), by replacing "remain" with "remains".

232 (4) Code Section 15-5A-5, relating to filing fees of the court and fees submitted to state  
233 treasury, in subsection (b), by replacing "property of the state" with "property of the state,".

234 (5) Code Section 15-6-77, relating to fees and construction of other fee provisions, at the end  
235 of the undesignated text in divisions (f)(1)(A)(i) and (f)(1)(A)(ii), by inserting a period  
236 following "assigned".

237 (6) Code Section 15-6-88, relating to minimum annual salary schedule of clerks of superior  
238 court, in paragraph (b)(1), by replacing "where applicable shall" with "where applicable,  
239 shall" and by replacing "by this subsection" with "by this subsection," and in  
240 paragraph (b)(2), by replacing "performance-based" with "performance based" both times  
241 the term appears.

242 (7) Code Section 15-6-94, relating to Georgia Superior Court Clerks' Cooperative Authority,  
243 in paragraph (d)(6), by replacing "provided, however, a schedule" with "provided, however,  
244 that a schedule".

245 (8) Code Section 15-9-63, relating to the schedule of minimum salaries of probate court  
246 judges, as effective on January 1, 2021, in subparagraph (a)(2)(A), by replacing "by this  
247 paragraph" with "by this paragraph," both times the phrase appears and in subparagraph  
248 (a)(2)(B), by replacing "performance-based" with "performance based" both times the term  
249 appears.

250 (9) Code Section 15-10-105, relating to selection of clerk, compensation, and eligibility, in  
251 subsection (b), by replacing "clerk of superior court the county" with "clerk of superior court,  
252 the county" and by replacing "his or her services" with "his or her service" both times the  
253 phrase appears.

254 (10) Code Section 15-11-2, relating to definitions regarding general provisions of the  
255 Juvenile Code, as effective on July 1, 2020, in subparagraph (60.2)(G), by replacing  
256 "family-based" with "family based".

257 (11) Code Section 15-11-211, relating to a relative search by the Division of Family and  
258 Children Services, in subsection (e), by replacing "have an ongoing" with "have  
259 demonstrated an ongoing".

260 (12) Code Section 15-11-216, relating to periodic review hearings and required evidence,  
261 in paragraph (d.1)(3), by replacing "short- and long-term" with "short-term and long-term".

262 (13) Code Section 15-11-219, relating to required findings for qualified residential treatment  
263 program admittance, assessment procedures, and writing requirement, in paragraph (a)(1),  
264 by replacing "evidence-based" with "evidence based" and in paragraphs (a)(2), (a)(3), and  
265 (c)(2), by replacing "short- and long-term" with "short-term and long-term".

266 (14) Code Section 15-11-220, relating to required findings after placement in qualified  
267 residential treatment program and documentation, in paragraph (a)(3), by replacing "short-  
268 and long-term" with "short-term and long-term".

269 (15) Code Section 15-11-231, relating to permanency plan report, in subparagraph (11)(C),  
270 by replacing "short- and long-term" with "short-term and long-term".



271 (16) Code Section 15-11-232, relating to permanency plan hearing and findings, in  
272 subparagraph (a)(11)(C), by replacing "short- and long-term" with "short-term and  
273 long-term".

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**SECTION 16.**

275 Title 16 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to crimes and offenses, is  
276 amended in:

277 (1) Code Section 16-13-29, relating to Schedule V controlled substances, in paragraph (5),  
278 by replacing "rulemaking" with "rule making".

279 (2) Code Section 16-13-57, relating to program to record prescription information into  
280 electronic data base and administration and oversight, in paragraph (c)(2), by replacing "the  
281 effective date of this Act" with "April 26, 2019,".

282 (3) Code Section 16-13-71, relating to defining dangerous drugs, by redesignating paragraph  
283 (b)(69.101) as paragraph (b)(69.10); by deleting paragraph (b)(116.05), which is reserved;  
284 in paragraph (c)(6.1), by replacing "32 mcg" with "32 mcg."; in paragraph (c)(6.5), by  
285 replacing "1mg per 1ml or less or 10mg or less" with "1 mg. per 1 ml. or less or 10 mg. or  
286 less"; in paragraph (c)(9.33), by replacing "0.125 mg" with "0.125 mg."; in paragraph  
287 (c)(9.75), by replacing "0.05 mg" with "0.05 mg."; in paragraph (c)(10), by replacing  
288 "1.0 percent" with "1 percent"; in paragraph (c)(12.95), by replacing "5 mg" with "5 mg.";  
289 in paragraph (c)(13), by replacing "(4%)" with "(4 percent)"; in paragraph (c)(27.7), by  
290 replacing "55 mcg" with "55 mcg."; and in paragraph (c)(31), by replacing  
291 "(1.00 mg/5.00 ml)" with "(1.00 mg./5.00 ml.)".

292 (4) Code Section 16-14-3, relating to definitions regarding racketeer influenced and corrupt  
293 organizations, in subparagraph (4)(B), by replacing "Code Section 16-4-10" with "Code  
294 Section 16-11-220".

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**SECTION 17.**

296 Reserved.

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**SECTION 18.**

298 Reserved.

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**SECTION 19.**

300 Title 19 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to domestic relations, is  
301 amended in:

302 (1) Code Section 19-6-15, relating to child support guidelines for determining amount of  
 303 award, continuation of duty of support, and duration of support, in division (f)(1)(A)(vii), by  
 304 inserting a comma following "retirement plans".

305 (2) Code Section 19-7-3.1, relating to equitable caregivers, form, required findings,  
 306 establishment of parental rights, and not a disestablishment of parentage, in subsection (c),  
 307 in the complaint form, by replacing "the court that:" with "the court that he or she:"; in  
 308 number (1), by replacing "Plaintiff has" with "Has"; and in number (3), by replacing "the  
 309 relationship" with "which relationship", "such individual" with "Plaintiff", "accepted or" with  
 310 "accepted that or", and "though such individual" with "though Plaintiff"; in subsection (c),  
 311 in the affidavit form, by replacing "Before" with "before" and "Day" with "day"; and in  
 312 paragraph (d)(3), by replacing "the relationship" with "which relationship" and "accepted or"  
 313 with "accepted that or".

314 (3) Code Section 19-8-13, relating to petition, filing and contents, financial disclosures,  
 315 attorney's affidavit, and redaction of certain information unnecessary, in subparagraphs  
 316 (a)(2)(E) and (a)(3)(F), by replacing "compliance with 4 of Title 39" with "compliance with  
 317 Chapter 4 of Title 39".

318 (4) Code Section 19-8-20, relating to forwarding of decree, report, and subsequent orders  
 319 to department, issuance of adoption certificate, and use as evidence, in subsection (c), by  
 320 inserting quotation marks at the beginning and end of the form.

321 (5) Code Section 19-8-26, relating to forms regarding adoption, in subsection (g), in the  
 322 form titled "Acknowledgment of Surrender of Rights" under (F), by replacing "before  
 323 signing of the surrender" with "before signing the surrender" and in subsection (n), in the  
 324 form titled "Notice to Biological or Legal Father," in number 5., by redesignating letters A.  
 325 through C. as letters (A) through (C), in number 6., by redesignating letters A. through E. as  
 326 letters (A) through (E), and in number 7., by redesignating letters A. through D. as letters (A)  
 327 through (D).

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## **SECTION 20.**

329 Title 20 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to education, is amended in:

330 (1) Code Section 20-1A-3, relating to the commissioner, the board, duties and powers,  
 331 salary, personnel, and rules and regulations, in the introductory language of subsection (d),  
 332 by replacing "department including" with "department, including".

333 (2) Code Section 20-2-149.3, relating to requirements for computer science education, in  
 334 paragraph (a)(2), by replacing "graduates take" with "graduates have taken"; in  
 335 paragraph (b)(2), by replacing "standalone implementations or embedded" with "stand-alone  
 336 implementations or by being embedded" and by replacing "than simply" with "than by  
 337 simply"; and in subparagraph (c)(1)(A), by replacing "offers a course" with "offer a course".

338 (3) Code Section 20-2-324.5, relating to education on nature and warning signs of sudden  
 339 cardiac arrest, informational meetings, procedure when student exhibits symptoms,  
 340 requirements of coaches, and youth athletic organizations encouraged to comply, in  
 341 paragraph (a)(4), by inserting a comma following "charter schools".

342 (4) Code Section 20-2-2081, relating to definitions regarding state charter schools, in  
 343 paragraph (3), by replacing "state Department" with "Department".

344 (5) Code Section 20-3-10, relating to sanctuary policies prohibited and penalty for violation,  
 345 in paragraph (a)(4), by replacing "Code Section 16-4-10" with "Code Section 16-11-220".

346 (6) Code Section 20-3-499.1, relating to requirements of REACH scholar, in  
 347 paragraph (a)(4), by deleting the comma following "dangerous drugs".

348 (7) Code Section 20-3-519.5, relating to eligibility requirements for a HOPE grant and  
 349 award amount, at the beginning of subsection (e), by replacing "No student that" with "No  
 350 student who".

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### **SECTION 21.**

352 Title 21 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to elections, is amended in:

353 (1) Code Section 21-2-543.1, relating to procedures for filling vacancies in federal House  
 354 of Representatives, by replacing "vacancies exist" with "vacancies exists".

355 (2) Code Section 21-2-564, relating to willful destruction, fraudulent filing, or suppression  
 356 of nomination materials, by replacing "paper, or any part thereof, which" with "paper or any  
 357 part thereof which".

358 (3) Code Section 21-5-50, relating to filing by public officers, filing by candidates for public  
 359 office, filing by elected officials and members of the General Assembly, electronic filing, and  
 360 transfer of filings from the Secretary of State to the commission, by deleting subsection (g),  
 361 which is designated as reserved.

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### **SECTION 22.**

363 Reserved.

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### **SECTION 23.**

365 Reserved.

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### **SECTION 24.**

367 Title 24 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to evidence, is amended in:

368 (1) Code Section 24-4-412, relating to complainant's past sexual behavior not admissible in  
 369 prosecutions for certain sexual offenses and exceptions, in the introductory language of  
 370 paragraph (c)(1), by replacing "subsection (b)," with "subsection (b) of this Code section,".

371 (2) Code Section 24-5-510, relating to privileged communications between law enforcement  
 372 officers and peer counselors, in paragraph (a)(2), by inserting a colon following "means".

373 **SECTION 25.**

374 Reserved.

375 **SECTION 26.**

376 Reserved.

377 **SECTION 27.**

378 Title 27 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to game and fish, is amended in:

379 (1) Code Section 27-2-2, relating to issuance and sale of hunting, fishing, and trapping  
 380 licenses, identification required, withdrawal of agents' authority to sell licenses, online  
 381 licensing system to allow making of anatomical gifts, and anatomical gift education and  
 382 awareness, in paragraph (b)(3), by replacing "resident sportsman licenses" with "resident  
 383 sportsman's licenses".

384 (2) Code Section 27-2-23, relating to license, permit, tag, and stamp fees, in  
 385 subparagraph (3)(H), by replacing "years of age and under" with "years of age or younger".

386 **SECTION 28.**

387 Title 28 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to the General Assembly, is  
 388 amended in:

389 (1) Code Section 28-1-14.1, relating to requirements for revising districts, proposed plans  
 390 submitted electronically, and legislative requirements, in subsection (a), by inserting a  
 391 comma following "such offices".

392 **SECTION 29.**

393 Title 29 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to guardian and ward, is  
 394 amended in:

395 (1) Code Section 29-9-15, relating to compensation for legal counsel or guardian ad litem,  
 396 in subsection (b), by replacing "the petitioner(s)" with "the petitioner or petitioners".

397 **SECTION 30.**

398 Reserved.

399 **SECTION 31.**

400 Title 31 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to health, is amended in:

401 (1) Code Section 31-6-70, relating to reports to the department by certain health care  
 402 facilities and all ambulatory surgical centers and imaging centers and public availability, in  
 403 subsection (d), by replacing "subsections (b)" with "subsection (b)".

404 (2) Code Section 31-44-3, relating to adoption of rules and annual reporting regarding renal  
 405 disease facilities, by deleting the subsection (a) designation and repealing subsection (b).

406 (3) Code Section 31-53-6, relating to compiling of reports and public dissemination of data,  
 407 by deleting paragraphs (a)(3) and (a)(4) and redesignating paragraphs (a)(5) through (a)(13)  
 408 as paragraphs (a)(3) through (a)(11), respectively.

409 **SECTION 32.**

410 Reserved.

411 **SECTION 33.**

412 Title 33 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to insurance, is amended in:

413 (1) Code Section 33-1-9.1, relating to crimes of staging a collision or filing a fraudulent  
 414 claim and penalty, in the introductory language of subsection (a), by replacing "insurance  
 415 fraud," with "insurance fraud".

416 (2) Code Section 33-1-20, relating to health care sharing ministry, in the introductory  
 417 language of subsection (a), by replacing "faith-based" with "faith based" and in subsection  
 418 (b), by replacing "cost sharing arrangement" with "cost-sharing arrangement".

419 (3) Code Section 33-1-21, relating to certain subscription agreements for prepaid air  
 420 ambulance service not contract of insurance and definitions, in paragraph (a)(2), by replacing  
 421 "for-hire" with "for hire".

422 (4) Code Section 33-1-23, relating to establishment of exchange, in subsection (e), by  
 423 replacing "MEDICAID" with "Medicaid".

424 (5) Code Section 33-2-10, relating to issuance and service of orders and notices, in  
 425 subsection (d), by replacing "electronic mail" with "email" both times the term appears.

426 (6) Code Section 33-5-20, relating to "The Surplus Line Insurance Law," by replacing "shall  
 427 constitute and may be referred to as" with "shall be known and may be cited as".

428 (7) Code Section 33-9-21, relating to maintenance and filing rates, rating plans, rating  
 429 systems, or underwriting rules and examination of claim reserve practices by Commissioner,  
 430 in the introductory language of subsection (a), by replacing "provided, however, the  
 431 Commissioner" with "provided, however, that the Commissioner" and in subsection (e), by  
 432 replacing "provided, however, if the Commissioner" with "provided, however, that if the  
 433 Commissioner".

- 434 (8) Code Section 33-20B-2, relating to definitions regarding essential rural health care  
435 provider access, in the introductory language of paragraph (6), by replacing "department of  
436 community health" with "Department of Community Health".
- 437 (9) Code Section 33-23-12, relating to limited licenses of agents, agencies, subagents,  
438 counselors, and adjusters, in paragraph (d)(16), by replacing "e-mail" with "email" each time  
439 the term appears and in division (f)(2)(C)(iii), by replacing "laws, rules and regulations" with  
440 "laws and rules and regulations".
- 441 (10) Code Section 33-23-21, relating to grounds for refusal, suspension, or revocation of  
442 license, in paragraph (22), by replacing "paragraphs (18)" with "paragraph (18)".
- 443 (11) Code Section 33-23-43.1, relating to requirements for public adjuster contracts, in  
444 paragraph (a)(2), by replacing "e-mail" with "email".
- 445 (12) Code Section 33-24-4, relating to insurable interest and property insurance, in  
446 subsection (a), by replacing "section, 'insurable interest' means" with "section, the term  
447 'insurable interest' means".
- 448 (13) Code Section 33-24-14, relating to delivery of policies, applicability of Uniform  
449 Electronic Transactions Act, and additional mailings, in paragraph (d)(4), by replacing  
450 "e-mail" with "email".
- 451 (14) Code Section 33-24-22, relating to provision in health insurance policies for coverage  
452 of newly born or adopted children, by deleting subsection (e), which is designated as  
453 reserved.
- 454 (15) Code Section 33-24-26.1, relating to provisions required in group policies or contracts  
455 of disability income insurance covering preexisting conditions and restrictions on preexisting  
456 condition limitations or exclusions, by deleting subsection (d), which is designated as  
457 reserved.
- 458 (16) Code Section 33-24-27.2, relating to provision for reimbursement for services within  
459 the lawful scope of practice of athletic trainers, by replacing "subsection" with "Code  
460 section".
- 461 (17) Code Section 33-24-28.2, relating to coverage of outpatient surgery, in  
462 paragraph (a)(4), by inserting a comma following "Section 1320c".
- 463 (18) Code Section 33-24-41.1, relating to motor vehicle accident claim covered by two or  
464 more insurance carriers and limited release, in subsection (c), by deleting the comma  
465 following "state".
- 466 (19) Code Section 33-24-56.3, relating to colorectal cancer screening and testing, in  
467 paragraph (a)(1), by inserting a comma following "this state".
- 468 (20) Code Section 33-24-57, relating to health insurance and provision that coverage cannot  
469 be terminated due to individual claims experience required, in paragraph (a)(1), by replacing  
470 "Sec." with "Section".

471 (21) Code Section 33-24-59.7, relating to coverage for the treatment of morbidly obese  
472 patients, short title, legislative findings, and adoption of rules and regulations by the  
473 Commissioner of Insurance, in subparagraph (c)(1)(C), by inserting a comma following  
474 "Section 1396".

475 (22) Code Section 33-24-59.9, relating to registered nurse first assistants, in subsection (d),  
476 by deleting the comma following "this state".

477 (23) Code Section 33-24-72, relating to mastectomy, lymph node dissection, coverage for  
478 inpatient care and follow-up visits required by health insurers, and notice to policyholders,  
479 in paragraph (a)(3), by inserting a comma following "Section 1396".

480 (24) Code Section 33-28-3, relating to standard nonforfeiture provisions for individual  
481 deferred annuities, at the end of paragraph (c)(5), by inserting a period.

482 (25) Code Section 33-29-2, relating to requirements as to individual accident and sickness  
483 insurance policies generally, by deleting subsection (c), which is designated as reserved.

484 (26) Code Section 33-29-3.4, relating to insurance coverage for child wellness services, by  
485 deleting subsection (g), which is designated as reserved.

486 (27) Code Section 33-30-4.5, relating to coverage for child wellness services, in  
487 subsection (b), by deleting the comma following "renewed in this state" and by deleting  
488 subsection (g), which is designated as reserved.

489 (28) Code Section 33-34A-13, relating to applicability regarding vehicle protection product  
490 warranties, by repealing said Code section, which is designated as reserved.

491 (29) Code Section 33-37-8.1, relating to immunity of receivers and employees,  
492 indemnification, attorney's fees, and approval of settlement, by deleting subsection (h), which  
493 is designated as reserved.

494 (30) Code Section 33-39-3, relating to definitions regarding the collection, use, and  
495 disclosure of information gathered by insurance institutions, in paragraph (11), by inserting  
496 "of this title" following "Chapters 20 and 21".

497 (31) Code Section 33-41-19, relating to captive insurance company rates, underwriting rules,  
498 and policy forms, by deleting subsection (c), which is designated as reserved.

499 (32) Code Section 33-41-101, relating to definitions regarding sponsored captive insurance  
500 companies, at the end of subparagraph (9)(D), by replacing "cells: and" with "cells; and".

501 (33) Code Section 33-41-103, relating to incorporated protected cells, legal entity status,  
502 requirements for formation, naming, and rights and authority, at the end of the introductory  
503 language of subsection (c), by replacing the semicolon with a colon.

504 (34) Code Section 33-42-7, relating to regulations regarding long-term care insurance, by  
505 repealing said Code section, which is designated as reserved.

506 (35) Code Section 33-50-5, relating to minimum surplus, capital requirements, security  
 507 deposit, annual audit, aggregate excess stop-loss coverage, and individual excess stop-loss  
 508 coverage, by deleting subsection (i), which is designated as reserved.

509 (36) Code Section 33-51-3, relating to the development of guidelines, promotion by  
 510 Commissioner, and authority of Commissioner regarding the Georgia Affordable HSA  
 511 Eligible High Deductible Health Plan, by deleting subsection (e), which is designated as  
 512 reserved.

513 (37) Code Section 33-59-18, relating to transacting business permitted while the provider's  
 514 license application is pending, by repealing said Code section, which is designated as  
 515 reserved.

516 (38) Code Section 33-60-6, relating to the authority of the Commissioner with respect to  
 517 Chapter 60, by repealing said Code section, which is designated as reserved.

518 (39) Code Section 33-61-1, relating to definitions regarding the regulation of automobile  
 519 clubs, by deleting paragraph (3), which is designated as reserved.

520 (40) Code Section 33-64-10, relating to the administration of claims by a pharmacy benefits  
 521 manager, in subsection (b), by deleting the comma following "but not limited to".

522 **SECTION 34.**

523 Reserved.

524 **SECTION 35.**

525 Title 35 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to law enforcement officers and  
 526 agencies, is amended in:

527 (1) Code Section 35-1-17, relating to local law enforcement agencies to enter into  
 528 agreements with federal agencies for the enforcement of immigration laws, at the beginning  
 529 of subsection (a), by inserting an internal catchline following the "(a)" designation to read  
 530 **"Legislative intent."**

531 (2) Code Section 35-2-124, relating to the Georgia Building Authority reimbursement to the  
 532 Department of Public Safety for costs related to performing police and security duties within  
 533 Capitol Square, by deleting "Governor's" preceding "Office of Planning and Budget".

534 **SECTION 36.**

535 Title 36 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to local government, is amended  
 536 in:

537 (1) Code Section 36-8-1, relating to the election or appointment of county police and  
 538 qualifications, in subsection (c), by inserting "of this Code section" following  
 539 "subsection (b)".



540 (2) Code Sections 36-10-3 through 36-10-5, which are reserved, by repealing said Code  
541 sections.

542 (3) Code Section 36-20-6, relating to board supervision of the Georgia County Leadership  
543 Academy, in subsection (a), by replacing "article" with "chapter".

544 (4) Code Section 36-36-16, relating to procedures for annexation by local Act of the General  
545 Assembly and referendum, in subsection (a), by replacing "comprised" with "composed" and  
546 in subsection (b), by replacing "provided, however, if" with "provided, however, that if".

547 (5) Code Section 36-60-2, relating to contracts to provide industrial waste water treatment  
548 services, by replacing "waste water" with "waste-water".

549 (6) Code Section 36-63-11, relating to the construction of chapter generally, applicability  
550 of certain other provisions of law to proceedings under chapter, and effect of chapter with  
551 respect to other development authorities, in subsection (a), by replacing "'The Georgia  
552 Cogeneration Act of 1979.'" with "'The Georgia Cogeneration and Distributed Generation  
553 Act of 2001.'".

554 (7) Code Section 36-80-23, relating to prohibition on immigration sanctuary policies by  
555 local governmental entities and certification of compliance, in paragraph (a)(3), by replacing  
556 "Code Section 16-4-10" with "Code Section 16-11-220".

557 (8) Code Section 36-80-28, relating to the role of consultants in local government,  
558 disclosures, and application, in paragraph (b)(1), by replacing "contract or arrangement" with  
559 "a contract or an arrangement".

560 (9) Code Section 36-82-61, relating to definitions regarding revenue bonds, in division  
561 (4)(C)(iv), by replacing "provided, further, any" with "provided, however, that any".

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### **SECTION 37.**

563 Title 37 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to mental health, is amended in:

564 (1) Code Section 37-1-112, relating to the Behavioral Health Reform and Innovation  
565 Commission members, terms, officers, and operational matters, in paragraph (c)(1), by  
566 replacing "Commissioner of the Department of Behavioral Health and Developmental  
567 Disabilities" with "Commissioner of behavioral health and developmental disabilities"; in  
568 paragraph (c)(2), by replacing "Commissioner of the Department of Juvenile Justice" with  
569 "Commissioner of juvenile justice"; in paragraph (c)(3), by replacing "Commissioner of the  
570 Department of Corrections" with "Commissioner of corrections"; in paragraph (c)(4), by  
571 replacing "Commissioner of the Department of Community Health" with "Commissioner of  
572 community health"; and in paragraph (c)(5), by replacing "Commissioner of the Department  
573 of Community Supervision" with "Commissioner of community supervision".

574 **SECTION 38.**

575 Reserved.

576 **SECTION 39.**

577 Reserved.

578 **SECTION 40.**

579 Title 40 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to motor vehicles and traffic, is  
580 amended in:

581 (1) Code Section 40-2-137, relating to electronic notice of motor vehicle insurance coverage  
582 and termination by insurance agent, notice of termination to owner, duties of owner, fees, and  
583 insurance coverage for active military duty personnel, in subparagraph (b)(1)(B), by inserting  
584 "the" preceding "vehicle identification number".

585 (2) Code Section 40-3-36, relating to cancellation of motor vehicle certificate of title for  
586 scrap, dismantled, or demolished vehicles or trailers, salvage certificate of title,  
587 administrative enforcement, and removal of license plates, in subparagraph (a)(2)(J), by  
588 replacing "on-line" with "online" both times the term appears.

589 (3) Code Section 40-6-163, relating to the duty of a driver of a vehicle meeting or overtaking  
590 a school bus, reporting of violations, and civil monetary penalty for violations captured by  
591 a school bus camera, in the introductory language of subparagraph (d)(1)(A), by replacing  
592 "entity who" with "entity that" and in the introductory language of paragraph (d)(9), by  
593 replacing "database" with "data base".

594 (4) Code Section 40-11-14, relating to unattended vehicle checks, completion and  
595 attachment of vehicle check card, and determination if vehicle is stolen, in subsection (c), by  
596 deleting the comma following "Department of Public Safety" and in subsection (d), by  
597 replacing "motor vehicle card" with "vehicle check card".

598 (5) Code Section 40-11-15, relating to the removal of a vehicle, liability, and duty of towing  
599 and storage firm when removal at request of law enforcement, in subsection (b), by deleting  
600 the comma following "traffic congestion".

601 (6) Code Section 40-11-16, relating to the duty of the towing and storage firm when  
602 removing a vehicle at the request of property owners and obligations of a repair facility or  
603 salvage dealer in possession of a vehicle, in paragraph (b)(1), by deleting the comma  
604 following "Code Section 40-11-19.1".

605 (7) Code Section 40-11-18, relating to the retrieval of personal property from abandoned  
606 motor vehicles, in subsection (b), by replacing "which" with "on which" and in  
607 subsection (c), by replacing "code" with "Code".

608 (8) Code Section 40-11-19, relating to notification letter to owners of abandoned motor  
 609 vehicles, advertisement, lien upon vehicle, recoverable fees, form disclaiming ownership,  
 610 and demand letter, in paragraph (a)(2), by replacing "owners" with "owner" and in the  
 611 introductory language of paragraph (c)(1), by deleting the comma following "certified mail".

612 **SECTION 41.**

613 Reserved.

614 **SECTION 42.**

615 Title 42 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to penal institutions, is amended  
 616 in:

617 (1) Code Section 42-3-51, relating to a community service or educational advancement  
 618 program, letter of application, requirements, or limitation of liability, in subsection (c), by  
 619 inserting "in an" preceding "educational advancement program" and in subsection (d), by  
 620 replacing "in community service" with "in the court's community service".

621 (2) Code Section 42-5-18, relating to items prohibited for possession by inmates, warden's  
 622 authorization, penalty, and use of unmanned aircraft to accomplish violations, in paragraph  
 623 (f)(4), by replacing "Code section 6-1-4" with "Code Section 6-1-4".

624 (3) Code Section 42-8-63.1, relating to discharges disqualifying individuals from  
 625 employment regarding first offenders, in paragraphs (a)(1) and (b)(1), by replacing "after  
 626 school care" with "after-school care".

627 (4) Code Section 42-8-106.1, relating to powers and duties of Board of Community  
 628 Supervision, in paragraph (6), by replacing "entity or agency" with "agency or entity".

629 **SECTION 43.**

630 Title 43 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to professions and businesses,  
 631 is amended in:

632 (1) Code Section 43-10-9, relating to application for certificate of registration regarding  
 633 barbers and cosmetologists, in paragraphs (e)(1) and (e)(2), by replacing "barbershop" with  
 634 "barber shop".

635 (2) Code Section 43-26-7, relating to requirements for licensure as a registered professional  
 636 nurse and requirements for nontraditional nursing education programs, in paragraph (c)(5),  
 637 by replacing "licensure by examination" with "licensure by endorsement".

638 (3) Code Section 43-28-3, relating to definitions regarding occupational therapists, in  
 639 subparagraph (6)(A), by deleting the comma following "consultation with" and in  
 640 subparagraph (6)(B), by replacing "wellbeing" with "well-being".

641 (4) Code Section 43-28-12, relating to issuance of license, fees, limited permits, and use of  
 642 titles and abbreviations regarding occupational therapists, in subsection (b), by replacing  
 643 "requirements of contained in" with "requirements contained in".

644 (5) Code Section 43-28-13, relating to denial, refusal to renew, suspension, or revocation of  
 645 occupational therapist licenses, probation, fines, and reinstatement, in  
 646 subparagraph (a)(9)(A), by deleting "patient" following "occupational therapy assistant".

647 **SECTION 44.**

648 Title 44 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to property, is amended in:

649 (1) Code Section 44-7-113, relating to government agent to assess abandoned mobile home,  
 650 lien on intact mobile home, derelict mobile homes, notice, and governmental immunity, in  
 651 the form in subsection (c), by replacing "(describe make, model, and color, if known) located  
 652 at (address or description of location)" with "(describe make, model, and color, if known)  
 653 located at (address or description of location)".

654 (2) Code Section 44-12-236, relating to alternative method of disposition of unclaimed  
 655 property with respect to certain dividends or capital credits which are presumed abandoned,  
 656 definitions, and procedures, in the introductory language of subsection (a), by replacing "the  
 657 Code section" with "this Code section".

658 **SECTION 45.**

659 Reserved.

660 **SECTION 46.**

661 Reserved.

662 **SECTION 47.**

663 Reserved.

664 **SECTION 48.**

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

667 (1) Code Section 48-4-1, relating to procedures for sales under tax levies and executions, in  
 668 paragraph (a)(3), by deleting "or" following "his or her".

669 (2) Code Section 48-5-183, relating to salaries of tax collectors and tax commissioners, as  
 670 effective on January 1, 2021, in subparagraph (b)(2)(B), by replacing "performance-based"  
 671 with "performance based" both times the term appears.

672 (3) Code Section 48-5C-1, relating to definitions regarding alternative ad valorem tax on  
 673 motor vehicles, exemption from taxation, allocation and disbursement of proceeds collected  
 674 by tag agents, fair market value of vehicle appealable, and report, in paragraph (a)(.1), by  
 675 replacing "fireman" with "firefighter" each time the term appears, by replacing "or a  
 676 surviving spouse" with "or surviving spouse", and by deleting the comma following  
 677 "individual".

678 (4) Code Section 48-7-29.8, relating to tax credits for the rehabilitation of historic structures  
 679 and conditions and limitations, at the end of subparagraph (e)(2)(C), by deleting "and"  
 680 following "credit;" and at the end of subparagraph (e)(2)(D), by replacing the period with "  
 681 and".

682 (5) Code Section 48-7-29.22, relating to tax credit for preceptor rotations, implementation,  
 683 regulation, and expiration, at the end of paragraph (a)(4), by inserting a period.

684 (6) Code Section 48-7-40.35, relating to credit for qualified employers, conditions and  
 685 limitations to credit, and requirements for being qualified employer, in paragraph (d)(1), by  
 686 replacing "this Code Section" with "this Code section".

687 (7) Code Section 48-8-203, relating to the imposition of tax following approval and  
 688 termination of tax regarding water and sewer projects and costs tax, in paragraph (c)(2), by  
 689 inserting a semicolon following "Code Section 48-8-202".

690 (8) Code Section 48-13-51, relating to county and municipal levies on public  
 691 accommodations charges for promotion of tourism, conventions, and trade shows, in  
 692 divisions (a)(2.2)(A)(ii), (a)(2.2)(A)(iii), (a)(2.2)(A)(vi), and (a)(2.2)(A)(vii), by replacing  
 693 "shall mean" with "means".

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#### **SECTION 49.**

695 Title 49 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to social services, is amended  
 696 in:

697 (1) Code Section 49-5-184, relating to expungement hearings regarding the Central Child  
 698 Abuse Registry, in subsection (e), by replacing "of that such decision" with "of such  
 699 decision".

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#### **SECTION 50.**

701 Title 50 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to state government, is amended  
 702 in:

703 (1) Code Section 50-13-41, relating to hearing procedures by the Office of State  
 704 Administrative Hearings, powers of administrative law judge, issuance of decision,  
 705 reviewing agency, and review of contested cases, in paragraph (d)(1), by replacing "titles  
 706 IV-B and IV-E" with "Title IV-B and Title IV-E".

707 (2) Code Section 50-18-72, relating to when public disclosure not required regarding  
708 inspection of public records, in paragraph (a)(4), by replacing "Code Section 35-1-18" with  
709 "Code Section 35-1-19".

710 (3) Code Section 50-39-2, relating to definitions regarding the creation and organization of  
711 the Atlanta-region Transit Link "ATL" Authority, in paragraph (3), by replacing "Sections  
712 7401 to 7671q" with "Sections 7401 through 7671q".

713 **SECTION 51.**

714 Reserved.

715 **SECTION 52.**

716 Title 52 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to waters of the state, ports, and  
717 watercraft, is amended in:

718 (1) Code Section 52-7-8.4, relating to prohibition of discharge of sewage into estuarine,  
719 definitions, establishment of anchorage areas, secured mechanism preventing discharge,  
720 record keeping, safe harbor, and exceptions, in subsection (g), by replacing "non-releasable"  
721 with "nonreleasable".

722 **SECTION 53.**

723 Title 53 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to wills, trusts, and  
724 administration of estates, is amended in:

725 (1) Code Section 53-12-9, relating to "interested persons" defined and binding nonjudicial  
726 settlement agreements regarding general provisions of trusts, in paragraph (c)(1), by  
727 replacing "this Code" with "this Code section".

728 (2) Code Section 53-13-2, relating to definitions regarding the "Revised Uniform Fiduciary  
729 Access to Digital Assets Act," in paragraph (16), by inserting "or" following  
730 "instrumentality,".

731 **SECTION 54.**

732 (a) Except for Title 47, the text of Code sections and title, chapter, article, part, subpart,  
733 Code section, subsection, paragraph, subparagraph, division, and subdivision numbers and  
734 designations as contained in the Official Code of Georgia Annotated published under  
735 authority of the state by The Michie Company in 1982 and contained in Volumes 3  
736 through 40 of such publication or replacement volumes thereto, as amended by the text and  
737 numbering of Code sections as contained in the 2019 supplements to the Official Code of  
738 Georgia Annotated published under authority of the state in 2019 by LEXIS Publishing, are  
739 hereby reenacted.

740 (b) Annotations; editorial notes; Code Revision Commission notes; research references;  
 741 notes on law review articles; opinions of the Attorney General of Georgia; indexes; analyses;  
 742 title, chapter, article, part, and subpart captions or headings, except as otherwise provided in  
 743 the Code; catchlines of Code sections or portions thereof, except as otherwise provided in  
 744 the Code; and rules and regulations of state agencies, departments, boards, commissions, or  
 745 other entities which are contained in the Official Code of Georgia Annotated are not enacted  
 746 as statutes by the provisions of this Act. Material which has been added in brackets or  
 747 parentheses and editorial, delayed effective date, effect of amendment, or other similar notes  
 748 within the text of a Code section by the editorial staff of the publisher in order to explain or  
 749 to prevent a misapprehension concerning the contents of the Code section and which is  
 750 explained in an editorial note is not enacted by the provisions of this section and shall not be  
 751 considered a part of any statutes.

752 (c) The reenactment of the statutory portion of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated by  
 753 subsection (a) of this section shall not affect, supersede, or repeal any Act of the General  
 754 Assembly, or portion thereof, which is not contained in the Official Code of Georgia  
 755 Annotated and which was not repealed by Code Section 1-1-10, specifically including those  
 756 Acts which have not yet been included in the text of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated  
 757 because of effective dates which extend beyond the effective date of the Code or the  
 758 publication date of the Code or its supplements. This subsection shall not apply to any Act  
 759 or portion thereof which was superseded due to conflict as provided by subsection (b) of  
 760 Code Section 28-9-5.

761 (d) The provisions contained in Sections 1 through 53 of this Act and in the other Acts  
 762 enacted at the 2019 regular session of the General Assembly of Georgia shall supersede the  
 763 provisions of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated ratified and reenacted by subsection (a)  
 764 of this section.

765 (e) In the event of a conflict between a provision in Sections 1 through 53 of this Act and  
 766 a provision of another Act enacted at the 2020 regular session of the General Assembly, the  
 767 provision of such other Act shall control over the conflicting provision in Sections 1  
 768 through 53 of this Act to the extent of the conflict.

769 **SECTION 55.**

770 This Act shall become effective upon its approval by the Governor or upon its becoming law  
 771 without such approval.

772 **SECTION 56.**

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