

House Bill 497 (AS PASSED HOUSE AND SENATE)

By: Representative Efstration of the 104<sup>th</sup>

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5 or have been preempted or superseded by subsequent laws; to codify principles of law  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 2-12-11, relating to distribution of adulterated fertilizer prohibited, in  
15 paragraph (4), by replacing "40 CFR 503.9" with "40 C.F.R. 503.9".

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16 (2) Code Section 2-12-20, relating to notice of violations, administrative hearings, penalty  
17 for violations, and prosecution, in subsections (e) and (f), by replacing "40 CFR 503.9" with  
18 "40 C.F.R 503.9" each time the term appears.

19 (3) Code Section 2-12-75, relating to inspection fees and semiannual reporting, in  
20 subsection (b), by replacing "ten percent" with "10 percent".

21 **SECTION 3.**

22 Title 3 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to alcoholic beverages, is  
23 amended in:

24 (1) Code Section 3-3-7, relating to local authorization and regulation of sales of alcoholic  
25 beverages on Sunday, in paragraphs (j.2)(1) and (j.3)(1), by replacing "in which governing  
26 authority" with "in which the governing authority".

27 **SECTION 4.**

28 Reserved.

29 **SECTION 5.**

30 Reserved.

31 **SECTION 6.**

32 Reserved.

33 **SECTION 7.**

34 Reserved.

35 **SECTION 8.**

36 Reserved.

37 **SECTION 9.**

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

39 (1) Code Section 9-13-172.1, relating to defining "eligible sale", rescision of sale, and  
40 damages, in subsection (b), by replacing "recision" with "rescission" both times the term  
41 appears.

42 **SECTION 10.**

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

45 (1) Code Section 10-1-641, relating to dealer's predelivery preparation, warranty service,  
46 and recall work obligations to be provided in writing, recovery of costs, and defining  
47 "stop-sale", in paragraph (d)(3), by replacing "third party guide" with "third-party guide".

48 **SECTION 11.**

49 Reserved.

50 **SECTION 12.**

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

53 (1) Code Section 12-2-2, relating to Environmental Protection Division, Environmental  
54 Advisory Council, duties of council and its members and director, general appeal procedures,  
55 permit applications, and inspections, in subparagraph (c)(1)(A), by replacing "Internet" with  
56 "internet".

57 (2) Code Section 12-3-58, relating to powers, duties, and authority of the Department of  
58 Community Affairs and historic preservation grant programs, in paragraph (e)(2), by  
59 replacing "commissioner of the Department of Community Affairs decision" with  
60 "commissioner's decision".

61 (3) Code Section 12-4-46, relating to drilling permits, in subsections (b) and (d), by  
62 replacing "e-mail" with "email".

63 (4) Code Section 12-6-24, relating to notice of timber harvesting operations, standing timber  
64 notification website, rules and regulations, and bonds and letters of credit, in  
65 paragraph (b)(2), by replacing "e-mail" with "email".

66 (5) Code Section 12-7-3, relating to definitions regarding control of soil erosion and  
67 sedimentation, in paragraph (10), by replacing "Said term" with "Such term".

68 (6) Code Section 12-7-8, relating to certification of locality as local issuing authority,  
69 periodic review, procedure for revoking certification, and enforcement actions, in  
70 paragraph (a)(4), by replacing the paragraph (4) designation with the subparagraph  
71 designation of "(4)(A)", by replacing the division (i) designation with the subparagraph  
72 designation of "(B)", and by replacing the division (ii) designation with the subparagraph  
73 designation of "(C)".

74 (7) Article 2 of Chapter 10, relating to the Southern Growth Policies Agreement, by  
75 repealing and reserving said article.

76 **SECTION 13.**

77 Reserved.

78 **SECTION 14.**

79 Reserved.

80 **SECTION 15.**

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

82 (1) Code Section 15-9-60, relating to fees regarding probate court costs and compensation,  
83 in subparagraphs (f)(2)(B) through (f)(2)(H), by deleting "\$" at the beginning of each  
84 monetary fee amount, in subsection (k), in paragraphs (11) and (12), by replacing "30" with

85 "30.00", in paragraph (13), by replacing "6" with "6.00", in paragraph (14.1), by replacing  
86 "40" with "40.00", in paragraphs (15), (21), and (22), by replacing "15" with "15.00", in  
87 paragraphs (18), (19), (20), (23), (24), (25), (26), and (28) by replacing "10" with "10.00",  
88 and in paragraph (29), by replacing "2" with "2.00".

89 (2) Chapter 22, which is repealed, by designating said chapter as reserved.

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### **SECTION 16.**

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

93 (1) Code Section 16-11-90, relating to prohibition on nude or sexually explicit electronic  
94 transmissions, at the end of subsection (b), by replacing "47 U.S.C. 230(f)(2)" with  
95 "47 U.S.C. Section 230(f)(2)" and by replacing "47 U.S.C. 153" with "47 U.S.C.  
96 Section 153".

97 (2) Code Section 16-12-171, relating to prohibited acts regarding sale or distribution to, or  
98 possession by, minors of cigarettes and tobacco related objects, in paragraph (c)(1), by  
99 inserting a comma following "subsection".

100 (3) Code Section 16-13-71, relating to "dangerous drug" defined, in paragraph (c)(13), by  
101 replacing "(4 precent)" with "(4 percent)", in subparagraph (c)(14.25)(A), by replacing  
102 "1 mg. l. of naloxone" with "1 mg./ml. of naloxone", and in subparagraphs (c)(14.25)(C) and  
103 (c)(14.25)(D), by replacing "0.4 mg. l. of naloxone" with "0.4 mg./ml. of naloxone".

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### **SECTION 17.**

105 Reserved.

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### **SECTION 18.**

107 Title 18 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to debtor and creditor, is  
108 amended in:

- 109 (1) Code Section 18-4-23, relating to grounds for relief from liability, in subsection (a), by  
110 replacing "limited to accuracy" with "limited to the accuracy".
- 111 (2) Code Section 18-4-70, relating to the required use of garnishment forms, in  
112 subsection (b), by replacing "e-mail" with "email".
- 113 (3) Code Section 18-4-72, relating to affidavit of continuing garnishment, in the form  
114 affidavit, under "**Plaintiff's contact information:**", by replacing "E-mail Address" with  
115 "Email Address".
- 116 (4) Code Section 18-4-73, relating to affidavit of continuing garnishment for support, in the  
117 form affidavit, under "**Plaintiff's contact information:**", by replacing "E-mail Address" with  
118 "Email Address".
- 119 (5) Code Section 18-4-74, relating to summons of garnishment, in the summons of  
120 garnishment form, under "**Plaintiff's contact information:**", by replacing "E-mail Address"  
121 with "Email Address".
- 122 (6) Code Section 18-4-76, relating to summons of garnishment on financial institution, in  
123 the summons of garnishment form, under "**Plaintiff's contact information:**", by replacing  
124 "E-mail Address" with "Email Address".
- 125 (7) Code Section 18-4-78, relating to summons of continuing garnishment, in the summons  
126 of continuing garnishment form, under "**Plaintiff's contact information:**", by replacing  
127 "E-mail Address" with "Email Address".
- 128 (8) Code Section 18-4-80, relating to summons of continuing garnishment for support, in the  
129 summons of continuing garnishment for support form, under "**Plaintiff's contact**  
130 **information:**", by replacing "E-mail Address" with "Email Address".
- 131 (9) Code Section 18-4-82, relating to notice to defendant of right against garnishment of  
132 money, including wages, and other property, in the form, under "**CERTIFICATE OF**  
133 **SERVICE**", by replacing "United States Mail" with "United States mail".

134 (10) Code Section 18-4-84, relating to garnishee answer, in the form, under  
135 "**CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE**", by replacing "United States Mail" with "United States  
136 mail".

137 (11) Code Section 18-4-85, relating to financial institution garnishee answer, in the form,  
138 under "**CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE**", by replacing "United States Mail" with "United  
139 States mail".

140 (12) Code Section 18-4-86, relating to garnishee answer to continuing garnishment, in the  
141 form, under "**CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE**", by replacing "United States Mail" with  
142 "United States mail".

143 (13) Code Section 18-4-87, relating to garnishment form for plaintiff's traverse, in the form,  
144 under "**CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE**", by replacing "United States Mail" with "United  
145 States mail".

146 **SECTION 19.**

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

149 (1) Code Section 19-9-3, relating to the establishment and review of child custody and  
150 visitation, in subparagraph (i)(6)(B), by replacing "e-mail" with "email" and by replacing  
151 "Internet" with "internet", in paragraph (i)(10), by replacing "e-mail" with "email", and in  
152 paragraph (i)(13), by replacing "Internet" with "internet".

153 **SECTION 20.**

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

155 (1) Code Section 20-1A-4, relating to powers and duties of the Department of Early Care  
156 and Learning, in paragraph (9), by replacing "in writing and a copy" with "in writing, and a  
157 copy".

158 (2) Code Section 20-2-51, relating to election of local board of education members, persons  
159 ineligible to be members or superintendent, ineligibility for local boards of education, and  
160 ineligibility for other elective offices, in the introductory language of subparagraph (c)(4)(B),  
161 by replacing "educa?tion" with "education".

162 (3) Code Section 20-3-86, which is repealed effective June 30, 2021, by designating said  
163 Code section as reserved.

164 (4) Code Section 20-4-21.1, which is repealed effective June 30, 2021, by designating said  
165 Code section as reserved.

166 **SECTION 21.**

167 Reserved.

168 **SECTION 22.**

169 Reserved.

170 **SECTION 23.**

171 Reserved.

172 **SECTION 24.**

173 Reserved.

174 **SECTION 25.**

175 Title 25 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to fire protection and safety, is  
176 amended in:



177 (1) Code Section 25-4-12, relating to applicability of the "Georgia Firefighter Standards and  
178 Training Act," by replacing "Except as otherwise provided in Article 2, nothing in this  
179 chapter" with "Nothing in this chapter".

180 **SECTION 26.**

181 Reserved.

182 **SECTION 27.**

183 Title 27 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to game and fish, is amended in:  
184 (1) Code Section 27-1-39, relating to rules and regulations used to establish criminal  
185 violations, by replacing the single quotation marks with double quotation marks at the  
186 beginning and end of the phrase "rules and regulations".

187 **SECTION 28.**

188 Reserved.

189 **SECTION 29.**

190 Reserved.

191 **SECTION 30.**

192 Reserved.

193 **SECTION 31.**

194 Title 31 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to health, is amended in:  
195 (1) Code Section 31-2-8, relating to actions against certain applicants or licensees, in  
196 subparagraph (c)(6)(B), by replacing "of long-term care facility" with "of a long-term care

197 facility" and by replacing the single quotation marks with double quotation marks at the  
198 beginning and end of the phrase "serious physical harm".

199 (2) Code Section 31-17-3, relating to examination and treatment by health authorities, by  
200 replacing "with sexually transmitted disease" with "with a sexually transmitted disease" each  
201 time the phrase appears.

202 (3) Code Section 31-17A-4, relating to pilot program for HIV preexposure prophylaxis drug  
203 assistance or services, in subsection (e), by replacing "state-wide" with "state wide".

204 (4) Chapter 51, which is repealed, by designating said chapter as reserved.

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### **SECTION 32.**

206 Title 32 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to highways, bridges, and ferries,  
207 is amended in:

208 (1) Code Section 32-2-80, relating to public and private financing of projects, prohibitions,  
209 request for proposed process, no delegation of eminent domain, and performance and  
210 payment security, in paragraph (a)(1.1), by replacing "State Transportation Board" with  
211 "board" both times the phrase appears.

212 (2) Code Section 32-9-21, which is repealed, by designating said Code section as reserved.

213 (3) Code Section 32-9-22, which is repealed, by designating said Code section as reserved.

214 (4) Code Section 32-9-23, in subsection (b), which is repealed, by designating said  
215 subsection as reserved.

216 (5) Code Section 32-10-76, relating to grant programs, street car transportation pilot  
217 program formation, and requirements, which will be redesignated on July 1, 2021, as Code  
218 Section 50-39-53, by designating former Code Section 32-10-76 as reserved, effective  
219 July 1, 2021.

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**SECTION 33.**

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

222 (1) Code Section 33-1-9.1, relating to crimes of staging a collision or filing a fraudulent  
223 claim and penalty, in the undesignated text at the end of subsection (a) and in subsection (c),  
224 by replacing "five years imprisonment" with "five years' imprisonment" and in  
225 subsection (b), by replacing "ten years imprisonment" with "ten years' imprisonment".

226 (2) Code Section 33-7-14, relating to reinsurance of risks, in subdivision (a)(6)(A)(i)(I), by  
227 replacing "§§ 313 and 314," with "Sections 313 and 314,".

228 (3) Code Section 33-24-59.27, relating to right to shop for insurance coverage, disclosure  
229 of pricing information, and notice, in paragraph (b)(7), by replacing "heath" with "health".

230 (4) Code Section 33-29A-32, relating to Commissioner to authorize insurers to offer  
231 individual accident and sickness insurance policies in Georgia that have been approved for  
232 issuance in other states, by replacing "filing and issuance" with "filing and issuing".

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**SECTION 34.**

234 Reserved.

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**SECTION 35.**

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

238 (1) Code Section 35-3-37, relating to the review of individual's criminal history record  
239 information, definitions, privacy considerations, written applications requesting review, and  
240 inspection, in the middle of paragraph (a)(5), by replacing the single quotation marks with  
241 double quotation marks at the beginning and end of the term "prosecuting attorney", in  
242 subparagraph (h)(2)(B), by replacing "Code Section 16-13-2, or" with "Code Section 16-13-2

243 or", and in subparagraph (h)(2)(C), by replacing "Code Section 3-3-23.1, or" with "Code  
244 Section 3-3-23.1 or".

245 **SECTION 36.**

246 Reserved.

247 **SECTION 37.**

248 Reserved.

249 **SECTION 38.**

250 Reserved.

251 **SECTION 39.**

252 Reserved.

253 **SECTION 40.**

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

256 (1) Code Section 40-1-8, relating to safe operations of motor carriers, commercial motor  
257 vehicles, and drivers, safe transportation of hazardous materials, and penalties, in  
258 paragraph (c)(1), by replacing "Internet site" with "website".

259 (2) Code Section 40-2-27, relating to registration of motor vehicles not manufactured to  
260 comply with federal emission and safety standards, certificates of registration for an  
261 assembled motor vehicle or motorcycle or a converted motor vehicle, and former military  
262 motor vehicles, in paragraph (d)(2), by replacing "Code Section 40-3-30.1" with "such Code  
263 section".

264 (3) Code Section 40-2-38, relating to registration and licensing of manufacturers,  
265 distributors, and dealers and issuance of manufacturer, distributor, and dealer plates, in  
266 subparagraph (a)(4)(A), by replacing "manufacturer headquarters plates" with "manufacturer  
267 headquarters' license plates", in subparagraph (a)(4)(A), division (a)(4)(B)(ii), and the  
268 introductory language of subparagraph (a)(4)(E), by replacing "manufacturer headquarters  
269 license plates" with "manufacturer headquarters' license plates", and in  
270 subparagraph (a)(4)(C) and the introductory language of subparagraph (a)(4)(D), by  
271 replacing "manufacturer headquarters license plate" with "manufacturer headquarters' license  
272 plate" each time the phrase appears.

273 (4) Code Section 40-6-303, relating to location of operation, age limitations, and required  
274 safety equipment for electric assisted bicycles, in subsection (b), by deleting "years of age".

275 **SECTION 41.**

276 Reserved.

277 **SECTION 42.**

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

280 (1) Code Section 42-8-35, relating to terms and conditions of probation and supervision, in  
281 paragraph (b)(2), by replacing "e-mail" with "email" and by replacing "Internet" with  
282 "internet" and in paragraph (b)(3), by replacing "Internet" with "internet".

283 (2) Code Section 42-8-102, relating to probation and supervision, determination of fees,  
284 fines, and restitution, converting moneys owed to community service or educational  
285 advancement, continuing jurisdiction, revocation, and transfer, in division (f)(3)(A)(ii), by  
286 replacing "e-mail" with "email" both times the term appears.

287 (3) Code Section 42-8-105, relating to probationer's obligation to keep officer informed of  
288 certain information, tolling for failure to meet certain obligations, and procedure, in  
289 subsection (a) and subparagraph (b)(1)(B), by replacing "e-mail" with "email" each time the  
290 term appears.

291 (4) Code Section 42-9-43, relating to information to be considered by Board of Corrections  
292 generally, conduct of investigation and examination, and determination as to grant of relief,  
293 in paragraphs (d)(1) and (d)(2), by replacing "e-mail" with "email".

294 (5) Code Section 42-9-46, relating to cases in which inmate has failed to serve time required  
295 for automatic initial consideration and objections, by replacing "e-mail" with "email".

296 (6) Code Section 42-9-47, relating to notification of decision to parole inmate, by replacing  
297 "e-mailed" with "emailed".

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### **SECTION 43.**

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

301 (1) Code Section 43-14-8, relating to licensing required for electrical, plumbing, or  
302 conditioned air contracting, businesses conducted by partnerships, limited liability  
303 companies, and corporations, applications, and review courses, in subsection (j), by replacing  
304 "which form shall show" with "showing".

305 (2) Code Section 43-14-16, which is repealed and reserved, by deleting the reserved  
306 designation.

307 (3) Code Section 43-26-3, relating to definitions regarding the "Georgia Registered  
308 Professional Nurse Practice Act," in paragraph (6), by replacing "counseling; the" with  
309 "counseling; and the" and by replacing "or a dentist" with "a dentist".

310 (4) Code Section 43-34-25, relating to delegation of certain medical acts to advanced  
311 practice registered nurse, construction and limitations of such delegation, definitions,

312 conditions of nurse protocol, and issuance of prescription drug orders, in paragraph (g.1)(1),  
313 by replacing "evidence-based" with "evidence based" and in paragraphs (g.1)(3) and (g.1)(4),  
314 by replacing "onsite" with "on site".

315 (5) Code Section 43-34-26.1, relating to vaccine protocol agreements, in paragraph (d)(14)  
316 and in the undesignated text at the end of paragraph (d)(16), by replacing "onsite" with "on  
317 site".

318 (6) Code Section 43-34-103, relating to application for licensure as a physician assistant,  
319 authorized delegated authority, and prohibited acts, in paragraph (b)(1), by replacing  
320 "paragraphs (3) or (4)" with "paragraph (3) or (4)".

321 (7) Code Section 43-34-283, relating to licensure requirements for pain management clinics,  
322 in subsection (g), by replacing "onsite" with "on site" both times the term appears.

323 (8) Code Section 43-41-19, which is repealed and reserved, by deleting the reserved  
324 designation.

325 (9) Code Section 43-46A-1, relating to definitions regarding trauma scene waste  
326 management practitioners, in subparagraph (3)(C), by inserting a comma following "cuts".

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#### **SECTION 44.**

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

329 (1) Code Section 44-12-211.1, relating to excess funds from sale of abandoned motor  
330 vehicle, claim for funds, and definitions, in paragraph (b)(2), by inserting a comma following  
331 "motor vehicle" and by replacing "six month period" with "six-month period".

332 (2) Code Section 44-14-473, relating to effect of covenant not to bring an action, action to  
333 enforce lien, limitation, and affidavit of payment, in subsection (b), by replacing "Code  
334 Section 44-4-471" with "Code Section 44-14-471".

335 **SECTION 45.**

336 Reserved.

337 **SECTION 46.**

338 Title 46 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to public utilities and public  
339 transportation, is amended in:

340 (1) Code Section 46-5-251, relating to limitations on the authority of Public Service  
341 Commission, in subsection (a), paragraphs (b)(2) and (b)(3), and subsection (c), by replacing  
342 "Public Service Commission" with "commission".

343 (2) Code Section 46-5-252, relating to prohibition against passing cost of compliance on to  
344 consumers, by replacing "Public Service Commission" with "commission" both times the  
345 term appears.

346 **SECTION 47.**

347 Reserved.

348 **SECTION 48.**

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

351 (1) Code Section 48-5-311, relating to creation of county boards of equalization, duties,  
352 review of assessments, and appeals, in subparagraphs (e)(2)(A) and (e)(2)(C),  
353 paragraph (e.1)(4), subparagraph (f)(3)(A), and paragraph (g)(2), by replacing "e-mailing"  
354 with "emailing" and in subsections (n) and (o), by replacing "e-mail" with "email" each time  
355 the term appears.



356 (2) Code Section 48-7-40.2, relating to tax credits for existing manufacturing and  
357 telecommunications facilities in tier 1 counties and conditions and limitations, in  
358 paragraph (a)(3), by inserting a comma following "including".

359 (3) Code Section 48-8-3, relating to exemptions regarding state sales and use tax, in  
360 paragraph (33.1), which is reserved, by deleting said paragraph.

361 (4) Code Section 48-8-19, relating to exemption of jet fuel from certain taxes and regulatory  
362 authority, in paragraph (a)(3), by replacing "compared to" with "compared with".

363 (5) Code Section 48-11-4, relating to licensing of persons engaged in tobacco and vaping  
364 businesses, initial and annual fees, suspension and revocation, registration and inspection of  
365 vending machines, bond by distributor, jurisdiction, and licensing of promotional activities,  
366 in paragraph (c)(5), by inserting a comma following "including".

367 (6) Code Section 48-13-51, relating to county and municipal levies on public  
368 accommodations charges for promotion of tourism, conventions, and trade shows, in the  
369 undesignated text at the end of paragraph (a)(3.1), by replacing "facilities including but not  
370 limited to" with "facilities, including, but not limited to," and by replacing "shall mean" with  
371 "means", in the undesignated text at the end of paragraph (a)(4.1), by replacing "facility  
372 including but not limited to" with "facility, including, but not limited to," and by replacing  
373 "shall mean" with "means", in the undesignated text at the end of subparagraph (a)(4.6)(A),  
374 by replacing "facility including, but not limited to," with "facility, including, but not limited  
375 to," and by replacing "shall mean" with "means", and in subparagraph (a)(7)(A), by replacing  
376 "stadium including but not limited to" with "stadium, including, but not limited to,".

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#### **SECTION 49.**

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

380 (1) Code Section 49-5-8.1, relating to short-term babysitting of child in foster care and  
381 reasonable and prudent parent standard, in subsection (b), by replacing "age 18" with "18  
382 years of age".

383 (2) Article 9 of Chapter 5 of Title 49, which is repealed, by designating said article as  
384 reserved.

385 **SECTION 50.**

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

388 (1) Code Section 50-3-1, relating to description of state flag, militia to carry flag, defacing  
389 public monuments, and obstruction and relocation of monuments, in subsection (a), by  
390 replacing "Great Seal of the State of Georgia" with "great seal of the State of Georgia".

391 (2) Code Section 50-18-71, relating to right of access, timing, fees, denial of requests, and  
392 impact of electronic records, in paragraph (b)(2) and subsection (g), by replacing "e-mail"  
393 with "email" each time the term appears.

394 (3) Code Section 50-18-72, relating to when public disclosure not required, in  
395 paragraph (a)(19), subparagraph (a)(22)(B), and paragraph (a)(30), by replacing "e-mail"  
396 with "email" and in subparagraph (a)(20)(A), by replacing "e-mail" with "email" and by  
397 replacing "Internet" with "internet".

398 (4) Code Section 50-25-4, relating to general powers of the Georgia Technology Authority,  
399 in paragraph (a)(22), by replacing "Internet" with "internet".

400 (5) Code Section 50-27-102, relating to role of the Georgia Lottery Corporation,  
401 implementation and certification, separation of funds and accounting, and disputes, in  
402 paragraph (d)(2), by replacing "e-mail" with "email" both times the term appears.

403 (6) Code Section 50-40-1, relating to definitions regarding promotion and deployment of  
404 broadband services, in subparagraph (2)(A), by replacing "Internet" with "internet".

405 (7) Code Section 50-40-60, relating to "broadband services" defined, by replacing "Internet"  
406 with "internet".

407 **SECTION 51.**

408 Title 51 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to torts, is amended in:

409 (1) Code Section 51-16-1, relating to definitions regarding COVID-19 pandemic business  
410 safety, in paragraph (8), by replacing "including but not limited to" with "including, but not  
411 limited to,".

412 (2) Code Section 51-16-3, relating to rebuttable presumption of assumption of risk relating  
413 to premises of individuals or entities, in paragraph (a)(1), by replacing "including but not  
414 limited to" with "including, but not limited to,".

415 **SECTION 52.**

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

418 (1) Code Section 52-7-71, relating to removal and storage of vessels and procedure, in  
419 subsection (h), which is repealed, by designating said subsection as reserved.

420 **SECTION 53.**

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

423 (1) Code Section 53-7-13, relating to service of notice, writ, or process, in subsection (b),  
424 by replacing "removes" with "remove".

425 (2) Code Section 53-7-41, relating to notice for creditors to render accounts, notification of  
426 creditors' claims, requirement of reasonable additional proof or accounting, and failure of

427 creditors to give notice of claims, in subsection (d), by replacing "timely to notify" with "to  
428 timely notify".

429 (3) Code Section 53-11-9, relating to issuance of citation upon filing of petition, contents,  
430 meaning, definitions, and caveat or objection, at the beginning of paragraphs (c)(1), (c)(2),  
431 and (c)(3), by replacing "The term" with "The terms".

432 (4) Code Section 53-12-501, relating to application of article and construction of trust  
433 instrument, in subparagraph (b)(5)(B), by replacing "power must be held" with "power is  
434 held".

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#### **SECTION 54.**

436 (a) In accordance with subsection (c) of Code Section 28-9-5, the following portions  
437 included in the Official Code of Georgia Annotated published under authority of the state by  
438 LEXIS Publishing, including all 2020 supplements and revised volumes thereof, are hereby  
439 reenacted and such reenactment shall have the effect of adopting and giving force and effect  
440 of law to the following portions as contained in such volumes and supplements:

441 (1) Statutory text; and

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

445 (b) The following portions included in the Official Code of Georgia Annotated published  
446 under authority of the state by LEXIS Publishing, including all 2020 supplements and revised  
447 volumes thereof, are specifically not enacted or reenacted, have no binding authority, bear  
448 no weight or effect, and shall not be construed to have the imprimatur of the General  
449 Assembly or the State of Georgia:

450 (1) Case annotations;

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

- 452 (A) Law reviews;  
453 (B) Collateral references to secondary sources;  
454 (C) Opinions of the Georgia Attorney General;  
455 (D) Advisory opinions of the State Bar; and  
456 (E) Cross-references;
- 457 (3) Captions;  
458 (4) Catchlines;  
459 (5) Headings;  
460 (6) Title and chapter analyses;  
461 (7) History lines;  
462 (8) Repeal lines;  
463 (9) Editorial notes;  
464 (10) Amendment notes;  
465 (11) Code Commission notes;  
466 (12) Effective date notes;  
467 (13) Tables;  
468 (14) User's Guide;  
469 (15) General Index;  
470 (16) Volume indices;  
471 (17) Indices related to local and special laws;  
472 (18) Conversion tables;  
473 (19) The United States Constitution;  
474 (20) The Georgia Constitution;  
475 (21) Rules and regulations of state agencies, departments, boards, commissions, or other  
476 entities;

477 (22) Material in brackets or parentheses and editorial, delayed effective date, effect of  
478 amendment, or other similar notes within the text of a Code section which has been added  
479 by the publisher in order to explain or to prevent a misapprehension concerning the contents  
480 of the Code section; and

481 (23) Any other matter published in the Official Code of Georgia Annotated which is not  
482 included in subsection (a) of this Section.

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

492 (d) The provisions contained in Sections 1 through 53 of this Act and in the other Acts  
493 enacted at the 2020 regular session of the General Assembly of Georgia shall supersede the  
494 provisions of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated ratified and reenacted by subsection  
495 (a) of this section.

496 (e) In the event of a conflict between a provision in Sections 1 through 53 of this Act and  
497 a provision of another Act enacted at the 2021 regular session of the General Assembly, the  
498 provision of such other Act shall control over the conflicting provision in Sections 1 through  
499 53 of this Act to the extent of the conflict.

500 **SECTION 55.**

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

503 **SECTION 56.**

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