

House Bill 1428 (AS PASSED HOUSE AND SENATE)

By: Representative Efstration of the 104th

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5 or have been preempted or superseded by subsequent laws; to codify principles of law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 2-8-11, relating to definitions regarding agricultural commodity
15 commissions generally, in paragraphs (4), (10), and (11), by replacing "he" with "he or she"
16 each time the term appears.
- 17 (2) Code Section 2-8-23, relating to approval by producers prerequisite to issuance of
18 marketing order or major amendment, notice, rules and regulations, expiration, extensions,
19 and referendum, in paragraph (c)(1), by replacing "appointive" with "appointed" and in
20 subsection (d), by deleting "posting and".
- 21 (3) Code Section 2-12-47, relating to the sale of noncomplying, toxic, or domestic septage
22 material prohibited, in subsection (c), by replacing "40 CFR 503.9" with "40 C.F.R. 503.9".
- 23 (4) Code Section 2-12-50, relating to notice and prosecution of violations, hearings, and
24 penalty, in subsections (d) and (e), by replacing "40 CFR 503.9" with "40 C.F.R. 503.9" each
25 time the term appears.
- 26 (5) Code Section 2-12-71, relating to definitions regarding soil amendments, in
27 subparagraph (1)(D), by replacing "40 CFR 503.9" with "40 C.F.R. 503.9".
- 28 (6) Code Section 2-12-80, relating to promulgation and adoption of rules and regulations and
29 sharing of information by the Commissioner of Agriculture, at the end of
30 subparagraph (1)(A), by deleting "and".
- 31 (7) Code Section 2-12-83, relating to penalties regarding soil amendments, in subsections
32 (b) and (c), by replacing "40 CFR 503.9" with "40 C.F.R. 503.9" each time the term appears.
- 33 (8) Code Section 2-23-4, relating to required licenses, research by colleges and universities,
34 and processing of other products relative to hemp farming, in paragraph (a)(3), by deleting
35 "or under 7 U.S.C. Section 5940," and in subsection (b), by deleting "pursuant to 7 U.S.C.
36 Section 5940 on and after May, 10, 2019, or".
- 37 (9) Code Section 2-23-6.1, relating to bond requirements, breach of bond, hearing,
38 enforcement, and insufficient bond funds relative to hemp farming, in subsection (a), by
39 replacing "\$1,000,000.00" with "\$1 million".

40 (10) Code Section 2-23-7, relating to business agreements, transportation, and
41 reimbursement for crop destruction relative to hemp farming, in division (b)(1)(A)(i) and
42 subparagraph (b)(2)(A), by deleting "or under 7 U.S.C. Section 5940".

43 **SECTION 3.**

44 Reserved.

45 **SECTION 4.**

46 Title 4 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to animals, is amended in:

47 (1) Code Section 4-11-3, relating to licenses for pet dealers and kennel, stable, or animal
48 shelter operators, requirement, issuance, and application, in subparagraph (c.1)(1)(B), by
49 replacing "9 equines" with "nine equines" both times the phrase appears.

50 **SECTION 5.**

51 Reserved.

52 **SECTION 6.**

53 Reserved.

54 **SECTION 7.**

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

57 (1) Code Section 7-1-239.5, which is repealed, by designating said Code section as reserved.

58 (2) Code Section 7-1-432, relating to meetings of shareholders of a bank or trust company,
59 in paragraph (a)(3), by replacing "Code section" with "Code Section".

60 (3) Code Section 7-1-682, relating to exemption from licensing requirements, in
61 paragraph (9), by replacing "clearing house" with "clearing-house".

62 (4) Code Section 7-1-1001, relating to exemption for certain persons and entities,
63 registration requirements, and authorized actions of licensed mortgage lenders, in
64 paragraph (a)(9), by replacing "instrumentality of: the" with "instrumentality of the".

65 **SECTION 8.**

66 Reserved.

67 **SECTION 9.**

68 Title 9 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to civil practice, is amended in:
69 (1) Code Section 9-11-5, relating to service and filing of pleadings subsequent to the original
70 complaint and other papers, in subsection (b) and in subparagraphs (f)(1)(A) and (f)(1)(B),
71 by replacing "e-mail" with "email" each time the term appears.

72 **SECTION 10.**

73 Title 10 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to commerce and trade, is
74 amended in:
75 (1) Code Section 10-1-310, relating to definitions, record keeping, offenses, and cooperation
76 with law enforcement regarding organized retail crime prevention, in paragraphs (a)(5) and
77 (a)(6), subsection (b), and the introductory language of subsections (c) and (e), by replacing
78 "Third party" with "Third-party" and "third party" with "third-party" each time the terms
79 appear.

80 **SECTION 11.**

81 Reserved.

82 **SECTION 12.**

83 Reserved.

84 **SECTION 13.**

85 Reserved.

86 **SECTION 14.**

87 Title 14 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to corporations, partnerships,
88 and associations, is amended in:

89 (1) Code Section 14-2-140, relating to definitions regarding business corporations, in
90 paragraph (9), by replacing "e-mail" with "email".

91 (2) Code Section 14-2-1807, relating to notice, performance reporting, and optional
92 additional requirements regarding benefit corporations, in paragraph (c)(2), by replacing
93 "Internet" with "internet".

94 (3) Code Section 14-3-709, relating to remote communication by members relative to
95 meetings of nonprofit corporations, in subparagraph (2)(A), by adding the opening
96 parenthesis around the subparagraph (A) designation.

97 **SECTION 15.**

98 Reserved.

99 **SECTION 16.**

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

102 (1) Code Section 16-6-5.1, relating to improper sexual contact by employee, agent, or foster
103 parent, consent not a defense, and penalty, in paragraph (f)(1), by replacing "by employee,
104 improper sexual contact by a person in a position of trust in the first degree, or agent" with
105 "by employee or agent, improper sexual contact by a person in a position of trust in the first
106 degree," and by replacing "10" with "ten".

107 (2) Code Section 16-11-90, relating to prohibition on nude or sexually explicit electronic
108 transmissions, in subparagraphs (b)(1)(A) and (b)(2)(A), by deleting the comma following
109 "board".

110 (3) Code Section 16-12-191, relating to possession, manufacture, distribution, or sale of low
111 THC oil and penalties, in subparagraph (b)(1)(A), by deleting "pursuant to Chapter 51 of
112 Title 31", at the end of division (b)(1)(A)(x), by inserting "and", by deleting subparagraph
113 (b)(1)(B), by redesignating subparagraph (b)(1)(C) as subparagraph (b)(1)(B), and in
114 subsection (e), by deleting "pursuant to Chapter 51 of Title 31" following "agent" and by
115 replacing "personnel, provided that such person has in his or her possession a permit issued
116 as provided in Code Section 31-51-7 and such possession, purchase, sale, manufacturing,
117 distribution, or dispensing is solely for the purposes set forth in Chapter 51 of Title 31." with
118 "personnel."

119 (4) Code Section 16-12-206, relating to annual, nontransferable dispensing license, adoption
120 of rules, and fees regarding general provisions of access to medical cannabis, in
121 subsection (c), by replacing "commission shall each be" with "commission shall be".

122 (5) Code Section 16-12-235, relating to research in compliance with federal regulations and
123 other research permitted regarding dispensing and distribution of medical cannabis, by
124 deleting the subsection (a) designation and by deleting subsection (b).

125 **SECTION 17.**

126 Reserved.

127 **SECTION 18.**

128 Reserved.

129 **SECTION 19.**

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

132 (1) Code Section 19-8-24, relating to advertising restrictions and requirements,
133 "inducements" defined, unlawful inducements, penalties, exemption for personal
134 communications, and civil actions regarding general provisions of adoption, in
135 paragraph (a)(1), by replacing "Internet" with "internet" and in subsection (e), by inserting
136 a comma following "or both".

137 (2) Code Section 19-9-3, relating to establishment and review of child custody and
138 visitation, in subparagraph (a)(3)(I), by replacing "paragraph (3) of subsection (a) of Code
139 Section 19-9-3" with "this paragraph".

140 **SECTION 20.**

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

142 (1) Code Section 20-1-30, relating to establishment of school policies on hazing, public
143 disclosure of incidents, and confidentiality of student information, in subsection (d), by
144 replacing "the Family Education Rights and Privacy Act (FERPA), 20 USC 1232g" with "the
145 federal Family Educational Rights and Privacy Act (FERPA), 20 U.S.C. Section 1232g".

146 (2) Code Section 20-2-14.1, relating to the Georgia Foundation for Public Education,
147 authorization to accept transfers of certain property held in trust by the State Board of
148 Education, authorization for nonprofit corporation, authorization to receive donations from
149 taxpayers, requirements, and annual report, in subsection (b), by replacing
150 "subparagraph (g.1)(1)" with "paragraph (1) of subsection (g.1)".

151 (3) Code Section 20-2-167.2, relating to virtual instruction through virtual schools and no
152 waivers, by revising subsection (b) as follows:

153 "(b) A local school system that provides virtual instruction through a virtual school whose
154 total student enrollment is composed of more than 5 percent out-of-system students shall:

155 (1) Ensure that 90 percent of funds earned pursuant to this article for out-of-system
156 students are expended for costs for virtual instruction for such out-of-system students and
157 shall return any excess funds to the state treasury which are not expended for such
158 purposes; and

159 (2) Include in the virtual school and local school system's College and Career Ready
160 Performance Index data academic achievement results for out-of-system students; ~~and~~

161 ~~(3) Not provide virtual instruction to out-of-system students in the current academic year
162 if the local school system has a College and Career Ready Performance Index for the
163 most recently available previous academic year that is below the state average for such
164 previous year, and shall not provide virtual instruction to out-of-system students in the
165 current academic year through a virtual school within the local school system that has a
166 College and Career Ready Performance Index for the most recently available previous
167 academic year that is below the state average for such previous year. This paragraph shall
168 stand repealed in its entirety on June 30, 2019."~~

169 **SECTION 21.**

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

171 (1) Code Section 21-2-2, relating to definitions regarding elections and primaries generally,
172 in paragraph (2.1), by replacing "devices;" with "devices," and in paragraph (7.1), by
173 replacing "and a navigational" with "and navigational".

174 **SECTION 22.**

175 Reserved.

176 **SECTION 23.**

177 Reserved.

178 **SECTION 24.**

179 Reserved.

180 **SECTION 25.**

181 Reserved.

182 **SECTION 26.**

183 Title 26 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to food, drugs, and cosmetics,
184 is amended in:

185 (1) Code Section 26-5-21, relating to the State Commission on Narcotic Treatment Programs
186 and abolishment, which was automatically abolished on January 1, 2017, by designating said
187 Code section as repealed and reserved.

188 **SECTION 27.**

189 Reserved.

190 **SECTION 28.**

191 Reserved.

192 **SECTION 29.**

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

195 (1) Code Section 29-5-10, relating to petition for appointment of conservator and
196 requirements of petition, at the end of paragraph (b)(13), by replacing the period with a
197 semicolon.

198 **SECTION 30.**

199 Reserved.

200 **SECTION 31.**

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

202 (1) Code Section 31-1-40, relating to prohibition on expenditure or use of state resources to
203 advocate for or intend to influence citizens in support of Medicaid expansion under the
204 federal Affordable Care Act, by redesignating said Code section as Code Section 31-1-19.

205 (2) Code Section 31-9A-4, relating to information to be made available by the Department
206 of Public Health under the Woman's Right to Know Act, format requirements, availability,
207 and requirements for website, in subsection (d), by replacing "Internet" with "internet".

208 (3) Code Section 31-11-55.2, relating to administration of hydrocortisone sodium succinate
209 intramuscular by emergency medical services personnel, training, reporting, and immunity,
210 in paragraph (a)(1), by replacing "salt wasting" with "salt-wasting".

211 (4) Code Section 31-22-9.1, relating to HIV tests and who may perform tests, in paragraph
212 (a)(1), by replacing "Acquired Immunodeficiency Syndrome or AIDS Related Complex"
213 with "acquired immunodeficiency syndrome or AIDS related complex", in paragraph (a)(10),
214 by replacing "Human Immunodeficiency Virus, Human T-Cell Lymphotropic Virus Types
215 III or IV, Lymphadenopathy Associated Virus Types I or II, AIDS Related Virus," with
216 "human immunodeficiency virus, human T-cell lymphotropic virus types III or IV,
217 lymphadenopathy associated virus types I or II, AIDS related virus,", and in the introductory
218 language of paragraph (a)(13), by replacing "'Institutional care facility'"means" with
219 "'Institutional care facility' means".

220 (5) Code Section 31-22-12, relating to injunction of operation of clinical laboratories not
221 certified, by inserting a comma following "of this chapter".

222 **SECTION 32.**

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

225 (1) Code Section 32-2-82, relating to alternative contracting methods, in subsection (f), by
226 replacing "ten year" with "ten-year" and in subsection (i), by inserting a comma following
227 "2026".

228 (2) Code Section 32-10-60, relating to definitions regarding general provisions of the State
229 Road and Tollway Authority, by revising paragraph (6.1) as follows:

230 "(6.1) 'Revenue' or 'revenues' shall mean any and all moneys received from:

231 ~~(A) The~~ the collection of tolls authorized by Code Sections 32-10-64 and 32-10-65,
232 any federal highway funds and reimbursements, any other federal highway assistance
233 received from time to time by the authority, any other moneys of the authority pledged
234 for such purpose, any other moneys received by the authority pursuant to the Georgia
235 Transportation Infrastructure Bank, and any moneys received pursuant to a
236 public-private initiative as authorized pursuant to Code Section 32-2-78; ~~and~~

237 ~~(B) Repealed."~~

238 (3) Code Section 32-10-63, relating to powers of the State Road and Tollway Authority
239 generally, in paragraph (7), by deleting the subparagraph (A) designation and deleting
240 subparagraph (B), which was repealed on July 1, 2021.

241 **SECTION 33.**

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

243 (1) Code Section 33-2-28, relating to the scope of judicial review and the disposition of
244 action by the reviewing court, at the end of subparagraph (c)(2)(E), by inserting "and".

245 (2) Code Section 33-6-4, relating to enumeration of unfair methods of competition and
246 unfair or deceptive acts or practices and penalties regarding insurance, in subparagraphs

247 (b)(12)(A) and (b)(12)(B), by replacing "medicare" with "Medicare" each time the term
 248 appears.

249 (3) Code Section 33-7-6, relating to property insurance, contract requirements, rules and
 250 regulations, and exemptions, in subparagraph (c)(3)(B), by replacing "subparagraph
 251 (c)(3)(A)" with "subparagraph (A) of this paragraph" and in paragraph (c)(4), by replacing
 252 "purchase," with "purchase price," and "pro rate" with "pro rata".

253 (4) Code Section 33-7-11, relating to uninsured motorist coverage under motor vehicle
 254 liability policies, in paragraph (a)(4), by replacing "the term 'legal liability' is" with "the term
 255 "legal liability" is".

256 (5) Code Section 33-20C-2, relating to online provider directories, printed directories by
 257 request, required content, accessibility, and public health emergency, by revising paragraphs
 258 (g)(3) and (g)(4) as follows:

259 "~~(3) This subsection (g) (and with respect to (D) below, only subsection now (g)(1)) shall~~
 260 not apply if the:

261 (A) Provider becomes out-of-network due to suspension, expiration, or revocation of
 262 such provider's license;

263 (B) Provider unilaterally terminates participation in the insurer's network plan without
 264 cause; or

265 (C) Insurer terminates the provider for cause for fraud, misrepresentation, or other
 266 actions constituting a termination for cause under such provider's contract; or.

267 ~~(D)~~(4) Paragraph (1) of this subsection shall not apply if the insurer's ~~Insurer's~~ provider
 268 directory accessed through the insurer's website accurately displayed any future date on
 269 which such provider would become out of network, 15 days prior to the beginning of; and
 270 all during, the designated open enrollment time frame.

271 ~~(4)~~(5) The provisions of subsection (d) of Code Section 33-20C-3 shall not apply to the
 272 circumstances described in paragraph (1) of this subsection."

273 (6) Code Section 33-23-43.8, relating to prohibited acts of adjusters, in subsection (b), by
274 replacing "8 A.M." with "8:00 A.M." and by replacing "10 P.M." with "10:00 P.M." both
275 times the term appears and at the end of paragraphs (g)(3) and (g)(4), by replacing the
276 periods with semicolons.

277 **SECTION 34.**

278 Reserved.

279 **SECTION 35.**

280 Reserved.

281 **SECTION 36.**

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

284 (1) Code Section 36-8-6, which is repealed, by designating said Code section as reserved.

285 (2) Code Section 36-32-12, relating to municipal court held outside municipality, by
286 replacing "code section" with "Code section".

287 **SECTION 37.**

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

289 (1) Code Section 37-1-53, relating to classification of privileged materials regarding
290 hearings and evidence, by replacing "subsection" with "Code section".

291 **SECTION 38.**

292 Reserved.

293 **SECTION 39.**

294 Reserved.

295 **SECTION 40.**

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

298 (1) Code Section 40-5-27, relating to the examination of applicants for a driver's license, in
299 paragraph (d)(2), by inserting a comma following "however".

300 **SECTION 41.**

301 Reserved.

302 **SECTION 42.**

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

305 (1) Code Section 42-1-12, relating to the state sexual offender registry, in
306 subparagraph (a)(10)(B.3), by inserting a comma following "July 1, 2019".

307 **SECTION 43.**

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

310 (1) Code Section 43-10-6, relating to rules and regulations relative to barbers and
311 cosmetologists as to sanitary requirements, instructions on HIV and AIDS, inspections, and
312 unsanitary conditions as nuisance, in subsection (b), by replacing "Human Immunodeficiency
313 Virus and Acquired Immune Deficiency Syndrome" with "human immunodeficiency virus
314 (HIV) and acquired immune deficiency syndrome (AIDS)".

315 (2) Code Section 43-10A-50, relating to the short title of the "Professional Counselors
316 Licensure Compact Act," by replacing "as 'The Professional'" with "as the 'Professional'".

317 (3) Code Section 43-27-2, relating to the creation and membership of the State Board of
318 Long-Term Care Facility Administrators, at the end of paragraph (a)(4), by replacing "; and"
319 with a period.

320 (4) Code Section 43-28-20, relating to the short title of the "Occupational Therapy Licensure
321 Compact Act," by replacing "as 'The Occupational'" with "as the 'Occupational'".

322 (5) Code Section 43-34-23, relating to delegation of authority to nurses or physician
323 assistants regarding medical practice, in division (b)(1)(A)(ii), by replacing "or clinical nurse
324 specialist, psychiatric/mental health" with "or clinical nurse specialist in psychiatric/mental
325 health".

326 **SECTION 44.**

327 Reserved.

328 **SECTION 45.**

329 Title 45 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to public officers and employees,
330 is amended in:

331 (1) Code Section 45-18-7.3, relating to employees of Peace Officers' Annuity and Benefit
332 Fund, Georgia Firefighters' Pension Fund, and Sheriffs' Retirement Fund of Georgia and their
333 spouses and dependent children, by replacing "Peace Officers' Annuity Benefit Fund" with
334 "Peace Officers' Annuity and Benefit Fund".

335 **SECTION 46.**

336 Reserved.

337 **SECTION 47.**

338 Reserved.

339 **SECTION 48.**

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

342 (1) Code Section 48-7-21, relating to taxation of corporations, in paragraph (b)(3), by
343 replacing "state including," with "state, including," and by replacing "losses including," with
344 "losses, including," at the end of subparagraph (b)(7)(B), by replacing the period with ";
345 and", and in division (b)(7)(C)(iii), by replacing "however, such" with "however, that such".

346 (2) Code Section 48-7-23, relating to taxation of partnerships, computation of net income,
347 disallowance of charitable contributions, individual liability of partners, individual returns
348 of distributive shares, taxable years, and elections, in paragraph (b)(3), by replacing "this
349 Code Section," with "this Code section," in paragraph (b)(4), by replacing "however, such"
350 with "however, that such", and in paragraph (b)(7), by replacing "an "S" corporation" with
351 "an 'S' corporation".

352 (3) Code Section 48-7-24, relating to nonresident members of resident partnerships, resident
353 members of nonresident partnerships, profits, distributive shares, taxability, and applicability,
354 at the beginning of subsection (d), by replacing "This Code Section" with "This Code
355 section".

356 (4) Code Section 48-7-32, relating to taxation of railroad and public service corporations,
357 computation of net income where business is within and outside state, and net income for all
358 other such corporations, in subsection (b), by inserting a comma following "of the
359 corporation".

360 (5) Code Section 48-7-37, relating to taxes due from members of armed forces dying on
361 active duty, applicability of tax to particular taxable years, assessment of unpaid taxes,
362 abatement, and credit or refund of collected payments, in paragraph (1), by replacing "his

363 death" with "his or her death" and by replacing "he" with "he or she" and in paragraph (2),
364 by replacing "his death" with "his or her death,".

365 (6) Code Section 48-7-108, relating to employer's liability, in subsection (c), by inserting a
366 comma following "limitations".

367 (7) Code Section 48-7-161, relating to definitions regarding setoff debt collection, in
368 paragraph (.1), by replacing "means entity" with "means the entity".

369 (8) Code Section 48-8-3, relating to exemptions regarding general provisions of state sales
370 and use tax, in paragraph (103), which was repealed effective January 1, 2021, by
371 designating said paragraph as "Reserved; or".

372 (9) Code Section 48-8-3.3, relating to state sales tax exemptions for agricultural operations,
373 by redesignating the provisions of paragraph (d)(5) as paragraph (e)(5).

374 (10) Code Section 48-8-77, relating to sourcing, definitions, sales of advertising and
375 promotional direct mail and other direct mail, and sales of telecommunications service, in
376 paragraph (b)(4), by inserting "the term" following "this paragraph,".

377 (11) Code Section 48-8-97, relating to levy of joint county and municipal sales and use tax
378 by consolidated governments, use of proceeds, and referendum, in paragraph (e)(2), by
379 replacing "subsections (g) and (f)" with "subsections (f) and (g)".

380 (12) Code Section 48-13-50.3, relating to additional nightly tax levied on public
381 accommodations, collection and remittance by innkeepers, exemptions, use of funds from
382 additional taxes, and provisions for termination, in paragraphs (a)(2) and (a)(3), by
383 redesignating the text of current paragraph (a)(2) as new paragraph (a)(3) and by
384 redesignating the text of current paragraph (a)(3) as new paragraph (a)(2), in subsection (e),
385 which is repealed, by designating said subsection as reserved, and in subsection (f), by
386 deleting "subsection (e) of this Code section or".

387 **SECTION 49.**

388 Reserved.

389 **SECTION 50.**

390 Reserved.

391 **SECTION 51.**

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

393 (1) Code Section 51-12-73, relating to structured settlement purchase companies and
394 requirements for doing business, in paragraph (b)(5), by replacing "obligations to payee"
395 with "obligations to the payee".

396 (2) Code Section 51-12-76, relating to separate disclosure statement provided to payee and
397 requirements, in paragraph (6), by inserting a comma following "effect".

398 **SECTION 52.**

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

401 (1) Code Section 52-2-30, relating to the confirmation and validation of revenue bonds and
402 venue of actions to confirm and validate bonds or to enforce rights under the "Georgia Ports
403 Authority Act," by replacing "provided, however," with "provided, however, that".

404 (2) Code Section 52-7-3, relating to definitions regarding the "Georgia Boat Safety Act," in
405 paragraph (25), by replacing "provided, however," with "provided, however, that".

406 (3) Code Section 52-7-14, relating to collisions, accidents, and casualties and salvage rights
407 regarding the "Georgia Boat Safety Act," at the end of subparagraph (c)(3)(S), by inserting
408 "and".

409 **SECTION 53.**

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

412 (1) Code Section 53-3-6, relating to issuance of citation and publication of notices and
413 mailing of petitions to tax commissioners, at the end of paragraph (c)(2), by replacing "date
414 and time for objections to be filed shown in the citation." with "date and time shown in the
415 citation for objections to be filed."

416 (2) Code Section 53-6-60, relating to amount of compensation for administrators and
417 personal representatives, in subsection (e), by replacing "provided, however," with
418 "provided, however, that".

419 **SECTION 54.**

420 (a) In accordance with subsection (c) of Code Section 28-9-5, the following portions
421 included in the Official Code of Georgia Annotated published under authority of the state by
422 LEXIS Publishing, including all 2021 supplements and revised volumes thereof, are hereby
423 reenacted and such reenactment shall have the effect of adopting and giving force and effect
424 of law to the following portions as contained in such volumes and supplements:

425 (1) Statutory text; and

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

429 (b) The following portions included in the Official Code of Georgia Annotated published
430 under authority of the state by LEXIS Publishing, including all 2021 supplements and revised
431 volumes thereof, are specifically not enacted or reenacted, have no binding authority, bear
432 no weight or effect, and shall not be construed to have the imprimatur of the General
433 Assembly or the State of Georgia:

434 (1) Case annotations;

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

436 (A) Law reviews;

437 (B) Collateral references to secondary sources;

- 438 (C) Opinions of the Georgia Attorney General;
439 (D) Advisory opinions of the State Bar; and
440 (E) Cross-references;
441 (3) Captions;
442 (4) Catchlines;
443 (5) Headings;
444 (6) Title and chapter analyses;
445 (7) History lines;
446 (8) Repeal lines;
447 (9) Editorial notes;
448 (10) Amendment notes;
449 (11) Code Commission notes;
450 (12) Effective date notes;
451 (13) Tables;
452 (14) User's Guide;
453 (15) General Index;
454 (16) Volume indices;
455 (17) Indices related to local and special laws;
456 (18) Conversion tables;
457 (19) The United States Constitution;
458 (20) The Georgia Constitution;
459 (21) Rules and regulations of state agencies, departments, boards, commissions, or other
460 entities;
461 (22) Material in brackets or parentheses and editorial, delayed effective date, effect of
462 amendment, or other similar notes within the text of a Code section which has been added
463 by the publisher in order to explain or to prevent a misapprehension concerning the contents
464 of the Code section; and

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

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

476 (d) The provisions contained in Sections 1 through 53 of this Act and in the other Acts
477 enacted at the 2021 regular session of the General Assembly of Georgia shall supersede the
478 provisions of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated ratified and reenacted by subsection
479 (a) of this section.

480 (e) In the event of a conflict between a provision in Sections 1 through 53 of this Act and
481 a provision of another Act enacted at the 2022 regular session of the General Assembly, the
482 provision of such other Act shall control over the conflicting provision in Sections 1 through
483 53 of this Act to the extent of the conflict.

484 **SECTION 55.**

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

487 **SECTION 56.**

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