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House Bill 1138

By: Representatives Parrish of the 144th and Royal of the 164th

A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT

- To amend Article 3 of Chapter 4 of Title 48 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, 1
- relating to redemption of property sold for taxes, so as to change certain provisions regarding 2
- 3 amounts payable for such redemption; to repeal conflicting laws; and for other purposes.

BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF GEORGIA:

5 **SECTION 1.**

- 6 Article 3 of Chapter 4 of Title 48 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to
- 7 redemption of property sold for taxes, is amended by striking Code Section 48-4-42, relating
- 8 to amounts payable for redemption, and inserting in its place a new Code Section 48-4-42
- 9 to read as follows:
- 10 "48-4-42.

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- 11 The amount required to be paid for redemption of property from any sale for taxes as
- 12 provided in this chapter, or the redemption price, shall be the amount paid for the property
- at the tax sale, as shown by the recitals in the tax deed, plus any taxes paid on the property 13
- 14 by the purchaser after the sale for taxes, plus any special assessments on the property, plus
- 15 a premium of 20 percent of the amount for each year or fraction of a year which has
- elapsed between the date of the sale and the date on which the redemption payment is 16
- 17 made. If redemption is not made until after the required notice has been given, there shall
- be added to the redemption price the sheriff's cost in connection with serving the notice, 19 the cost of publication of the notice, if any, and the further sum of 20 percent of the amount
- paid for the property at the sale of the unpaid taxes together with any cost of the sale 20
- incurred to include the sheriff's cost of execution and cost of publication to cover the cost 21
- 22 of making the necessary examinations to determine the persons upon whom notice should
- be served. All of the amounts required to be paid by this Code section shall be paid in 23
- 24 lawful money of the United States to the purchaser at the tax sale or to the purchaser's
- 25 successors."

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1 SECTION 2.

2 All laws and parts of laws in conflict with this Act are repealed.