

House Bill 1201

By: Representatives McCall of the 90th, Lord of the 121st and Pinholster of the 15th

A BILL TO BE ENTITLED
AN ACT

1 To amend Article 4 of Chapter 9 of Title 16 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated,
2 relating to fraud and related offenses, so as to provide that it shall be unlawful to fail or
3 refuse to pay for minerals or mineral products, igneous rock or igneous rock products,
4 sedimentary rock or sedimentary rock products, or metamorphic rocks or metamorphic rock
5 products mined or processed in this state or to make way with or dispose of the same before
6 he or she shall have paid therefor unless credit shall be expressly extended therefor; to
7 provide for penalties; to repeal conflicting laws; and for other purposes.

8 BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF GEORGIA:

9 **SECTION 1.**

10 Article 4 of Chapter 9 of Title 16 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to fraud
11 and related offenses, is amended by striking Code Section 16-9-58, relating to failing to pay
12 for natural products or chattels, and inserting in its place the following:

13 "16-9-58.

14 Any person, either on his or her own account or for others, who shall buy cotton, corn, rice,
15 crude turpentine, spirits of turpentine, rosin, pitch, tar, timber, pulpwood, poultry and
16 poultry products, cattle, hogs, sheep, goats, ratites, horses, mules, pecans, peaches, apples,
17 watermelons, cantaloupes, or other products or chattels or minerals or mineral products,
18 igneous rock or igneous rock products, sedimentary rock or sedimentary rock products, or
19 metamorphic rocks or metamorphic rock products mined or processed in this state and shall
20 fail or refuse to pay therefor or shall make way with or dispose of the same before he or she
21 shall have paid therefor unless credit shall be expressly extended therefor shall be guilty
22 of a felony and, upon conviction thereof, shall be imprisoned for not less than one year nor
23 more than five years."

24 **SECTION 2.**

25 All laws and parts of laws in conflict with this Act are repealed.