

House Bill 1250

By: Representatives Ehrhart of the 36th, Westmoreland of the 104th, Kaye of the 37th, Wiles of the 34th and Lunsford of the 109th

A BILL TO BE ENTITLED
AN ACT

1 To enact the "Truth in Spending Act"; to amend Code Section 45-12-78 of the Official Code
2 of Georgia Annotated, relating to annual estimates to be submitted by heads of budget units,
3 so as to provide for certain reports to the General Assembly by the heads of budget units; to
4 provide a short title; to repeal conflicting laws; and for other purposes.

5 BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF GEORGIA:

6 style="text-align:center">**SECTION 1.**

7 This Act shall be known and may be cited as the "Truth in Spending Act."

8 style="text-align:center">**SECTION 2.**

9 Code Section 45-12-78 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to annual
10 estimates to be submitted by heads of budget units, is amended by designating the provisions
11 of subsection (a) as paragraph (1) thereof and inserting a new paragraph 2 to read as follows:

12 "(2) At the time of submission of annual estimates to the Office of Planning and Budget,
13 the head of each budget unit shall submit to the General Assembly a summary of all moneys
14 that were spent or otherwise passed through the unit during the preceding fiscal year and an
15 estimate of the moneys projected to be spent or otherwise pass through the unit for the
16 current fiscal year. All such spending and handling and estimates of such spending and
17 handling must be divided into major product and service categories and further expressed in
18 unit-costs, and the unit-cost totals must equal the total amount of moneys that were spent by
19 or otherwise passed through the unit or that were projected to be spent or otherwise pass
20 through the unit as applicable."

21 style="text-align:center">**SECTION 3.**

22 All laws and parts of laws in conflict with this Act are repealed.