

House Bill 1239

By: Representatives Mueller of the 152nd, Day of the 153rd, Stephens of the 150th, DeLoach of the 172nd, Everett of the 163rd and others

A BILL TO BE ENTITLED
AN ACT

1 To amend Code Section 12-5-135 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to the
2 requirement of a bond or letter of credit from a water well contractor or driller, so as to
3 provide that no such bond or letter of credit shall be accepted from a person who intends to
4 inject surface water into an aquifer in certain counties before a certain date; to repeal
5 conflicting laws; and for other purposes.

6 BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF GEORGIA:

7 **SECTION 1.**

8 Code Section 12-5-135 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to the
9 requirement of a bond or letter of credit from a water well contractor or driller, is amended
10 by striking in its entirety subsection (i) and inserting in lieu thereof the following:

11 "(i) No bond or irrevocable letter of credit provided for in this Code section shall be
12 accepted by the director from any water well contractor or driller who shall drill any well
13 or borehole for the purpose of injecting any surface water into the floridan aquifer in any
14 county governed by the Georgia coastal zone management program provided by Code
15 Section 12-5-327 after July 1, 1999, and before December 31, ~~2002~~ 2007."

16 **SECTION 2.**

17 All laws and parts of laws in conflict with this Act are repealed.