

House Bill 1500

By: Representative Hembree of the 98th

A BILL TO BE ENTITLED
AN ACT

1 To amend Code Section 16-5-93 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to the
2 right of a victim of stalking or aggravated stalking to notification of release or escape of the
3 stalker, so as to provide that the victim shall be entitled to notice of any dispositive or trial
4 hearing and any sentencing hearing; to repeal conflicting laws; and for other purposes.

5 BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF GEORGIA:

6 **SECTION 1.**

7 Code Section 16-5-93 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to the right of a
8 victim of stalking or aggravated stalking to notification of release or escape of the stalker,
9 is amended by striking in its entirety subsection (a) and inserting in lieu thereof the
10 following:

11 "(a) The victim of stalking or aggravated stalking shall be entitled to notice of any hearing
12 which may be dispositive of the criminal case, of any sentencing hearing, and of the release
13 from custody of the person arrested for and charged with the offense of stalking or
14 aggravated stalking and to notice of any hearing on the issue of bail for such person. No
15 such notice shall be required unless the victim provides a landline telephone number other
16 than a pocket pager or electronic communication device number to which such notice can
17 be directed."

18 **SECTION 2.**

19 All laws and parts of laws in conflict with this Act are repealed.