

Senate Bill 509

By: Senators Burton of the 5th, Kemp of the 3rd and Hill of the 4th

A BILL TO BE ENTITLED
AN ACT

To amend Code Section 50-5-131 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to definitions relative to minority business enterprise development, so as to redefine the term "minority"; to repeal conflicting laws; and for other purposes.

BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF GEORGIA:

SECTION 1.

Code Section 50-5-131 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to definitions relative to minority business enterprise development, is amended by striking in its entirety paragraph (1) and inserting in lieu thereof the following:

"(1) 'Minority' means an individual who is:

(A) A member a member of a race which comprises less than 50 percent of the total population of the state; or

(B) A person who has significant, permanent disabilities in one or more of the major life activities, including without limitation caring for oneself, performing manual tasks, walking, seeing, hearing, speaking, breathing, learning, and working, as a result of one or more of the following:

(i) Amputation;

(ii) Arthritis;

(iii) Autism;

(iv) Blindness;

(v) Burn injury;

(vi) Cancer;

(vii) Cerebral palsy;

(viii) Cystic fibrosis;

(ix) Deafness;

(x) Head injury;

(xi) Heart disease;

- (xii) Hemiplegia;
- (xiii) Hemophilia;
- (xiv) Mental illness;
- (xv) Mental retardation;
- (xvi) Multiple sclerosis;
- (xvii) Muscular dystrophy;
- (xviii) Musculoskeletal disorders;
- (xix) Neurological disorders, including stroke and epilepsy;
- (xx) Paraplegia, quadriplegia, and other spinal cord conditions;
- (xxi) End stage renal disease;
- (xxii) Respiratory or pulmonary dysfunction;
- (xxiii) Sickle cell anemia; and
- (xxiv) Specific learning disability."

SECTION 2.

All laws and parts of laws in conflict with this Act are repealed.