

**WITHDRAWN**

1 Senator James of the 35th offered the following amendment:

2 Amend SB 437 by striking lines 1 through 3 on page 1 and inserting in lieu thereof the  
3 following:

4 "To amend Chapter 11 of Title 15 of the Official Code Georgia Annotated, relating to  
5 juvenile proceedings, parental rights, and mental incompetency and dependency for  
6 juveniles, so as to provide for salary adjustments for full-time juvenile court judges who  
7 are paid with state funds; to provide for the minimum age that a child may be committed  
8 to the Department of Juvenile Justice; to provide for the minimum age that a child may be  
9 detained in a youth detention center; to provide for related";

10 By striking lines 7 and 8 on page 1 and inserting in lieu thereof the following:

11 "Chapter 11 of Title 15 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to juvenile  
12 proceedings, parental rights, and mental competency and dependency for juveniles, is  
13 amended by striking subsection (d) of Code";

14 By redesignating Sections 2 and 3 as Sections 3 and 4, respectively, and inserting a new  
15 Section 2 to read as follows:

16 **"SECTION 2.**

17 Said chapter is further amended by inserting immediately following Code Section 15-11-62  
18 a new Code Section 15-11-62.1 to read as follows:

19 '15-11-62.1.

20 (a) A child shall not be considered for commitment to the Department of Juvenile Justice  
21 unless the child has attained the age of 12 years at the time of the act, omission, or  
22 negligence constituting the delinquent or unruly conduct.

23 (b) A child shall not be detained in a youth detention center unless the child has attained  
24 the age of ten years at the time of the act, omission, or negligence constituting the  
25 delinquent or unruly conduct.

26 (c) A child shall not be subject to the provisions of subsection (b) of Code Section  
27 15-11-66 unless the minimum age requirements set forth in subsection (b) of this Code  
28 section have been met."