

The House Committee on Governmental Affairs offers the following substitute to HB 1335:

A BILL TO BE ENTITLED
AN ACT

1 To amend Code Section 27-2-2 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to
2 issuance and sale of hunting, fishing, and trapping licenses, identification required of
3 purchasers, and withdrawal of agents' authority to sell licenses, so as to change certain
4 provisions relating to duties of license agents prior to selling of licenses; to require license
5 agents to offer mail voter registration applications to certain persons; to repeal conflicting
6 laws; and for other purposes.

7 BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF GEORGIA:

SECTION 1.

8 Code Section 27-2-2 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to issuance and sale
9 of hunting, fishing, and trapping licenses, identification required of purchasers, and
10 withdrawal of agents' authority to sell licenses, is amended by striking subsection (d) and
11 inserting in lieu thereof the following:
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13 "(d) Prior to selling any license, except for a license sold over the telephone by an
14 approved telephone license agent or over the Internet by an approved Internet license agent,
15 each license agent shall ~~require~~:

16 (1) Require each person desiring to purchase a license to display a driver's license or
17 equally reliable identification of the individual and the current residence and age of such
18 individual. In the event the department determines that a license agent has intentionally
19 or negligently sold a resident license to a person who is a nonresident or who is underage,
20 the department may immediately withdraw the authority of such license agent to issue
21 and sell licenses on behalf of the department, provided that the department shall not
22 withdraw the license agent's authority until the license agent has been given ten days'
23 written notice of intention to withdraw authority setting forth the reason or reasons for
24 the withdrawal and giving the license agent a hearing in the county of said agent's
25 residence on the reasons for withdrawal; and

1 (2) Ask the person desiring to purchase a license whether he or she desires to register to
2 vote. If the license applicant expresses his or her desire to register to vote, the license
3 agent shall provide the applicant with an official mail voter registration application with
4 postage prepaid thereon and preaddressed to the Elections Division of the Office of the
5 Secretary of State. The department shall provide each license agent with an adequate and
6 continuing supply of such official mail voter registration applications."

7 **SECTION 2.**

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