Senate Bill 112

By: Senator James of the 35th

## A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT

- 1 To amend Title 14 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to corporations,
- 2 partnerships, and associations, so as to refer to the Office of Treasury and Fiscal Services in
- 3 lieu of the Department of Administrative Services in certain instances; to repeal conflicting
- 4 laws; and for other purposes.

## 5 BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF GEORGIA:

6 SECTION 1.

- 7 Title 14 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to corporations, partnerships,
- 8 and associations, is amended by striking in its entirety subsection (a) of Code Section
- 9 14-2-1408, relating to articles of dissolution with regard to business corporations, and
- 10 inserting in lieu thereof the following:
- 11 "(a) If a notice of intent to dissolve under Code Section 14-2-1403 has not been revoked,
- when all known debts, liabilities, and obligations of the corporation have been paid and
- discharged, or adequate provision made therefor, the corporation may dissolve by
- delivering to the Secretary of State for filing articles of dissolution setting forth:
- 15 (1) The name of the corporation;
- 16 (2) The date on which a notice of intent to dissolve was filed and a statement that it has
- 17 not been revoked;
- 18 (3) A statement that all known debts, liabilities, and obligations of the corporation have
- been paid and discharged, or that adequate provision has been made therefor;
- 20 (4) A statement that all remaining property and assets of the corporation have been
- 21 distributed among its shareholders in accordance with their respective rights and interests,
- or that adequate provision has been made therefor, or that such property and assets have
- been deposited with the Department of Administrative Services Office of Treasury and
- 24 <u>Fiscal Services</u> as provided in Code Section 14-2-1440; and

1 (5) A statement that there are no actions pending against the corporation in any court, or

2 that adequate provision has been made for the satisfaction of any judgment, order, or

decree which may be entered against it in any pending action."

4 SECTION 2.

- 5 Said title is further amended by striking in its entirety subsection (c) of Code Section
- 6 14-2-1433, relating to a decree of dissolution with regard to business corporations, and
- 7 inserting in lieu thereof the following:
- 8 "(c) When the costs and expenses of dissolution proceedings and all debts, obligations, and
- 9 liabilities of the corporation have been paid and discharged or provided for and all of its
- remaining assets distributed to its shareholders or provided for or such assets have been
- deposited with the <del>Department of Administrative Services</del> Office of Treasury and Fiscal
- 12 <u>Services</u> as provided in Code Section 14-2-1440, the court shall enter a decree of
- dissolution, and upon filing of the decree with the Secretary of State, it shall have the same
- effect as articles of dissolution."

15 SECTION 3.

- 16 Said title is further amended by striking in its entirety Code Section 14-2-1440, relating to
- 17 deposit of assets with the Department of Administrative Services with regard to business
- 18 corporations, and inserting in lieu thereof the following:
- 19 "14-2-1440.

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- Assets of a dissolved corporation that should be transferred to a creditor, claimant, or
- shareholder of the corporation who cannot be found or who is not competent to receive
- them shall be reduced to cash and deposited with the Department of Administrative
- 23 Services Office of Treasury and Fiscal Services for safekeeping. When the creditor,
- 24 claimant, or shareholder furnishes satisfactory proof of entitlement to the amount
- deposited, the Department of Administrative Services Office of Treasury and Fiscal
- 26 <u>Services</u> shall pay him <u>or her</u> or his <u>or her</u> representative that amount. After the
- 27 Department of Administrative Services Office of Treasury and Fiscal Services has held the
- 28 unclaimed cash for six months, the <del>Department of Administrative Services</del> Office of

<u>Treasury and Fiscal Services</u> shall pay such cash to the Board of Regents of the University

- 30 System of Georgia, to be held without liability for profit or interest until a claim for such
- cash shall be filed with the Department of Administrative Services Office of Treasury and
- 32 <u>Fiscal Services</u> by the parties entitled thereto. No such claim shall be made more than six
- years after such cash is deposited with the <del>Department of Administrative Services</del> Office
- of Treasury and Fiscal Services."

SECTION 4.

2 Said title is further amended by striking subsection (a) of Code Section 14-3-1409, relating

- 3 to articles of dissolution with regard to nonprofit corporations, and inserting in lieu thereof
- 4 the following:
- 5 "(a) If a notice of intent to dissolve under Code Section 14-3-1404 has not been revoked,
- 6 when all known debts, liabilities, and obligations of the corporation have been paid and
- discharged, or adequate provision made therefor, the corporation may dissolve by
- 8 delivering to the Secretary of State for filing articles of dissolution setting forth:
- 9 (1) The name of the corporation;
- 10 (2) The date on which a notice of intent to dissolve was filed and a statement that it has
- 11 not been revoked;
- 12 (3) A statement that all known debts, liabilities, and obligations of the corporation have
- been paid and discharged, or that adequate provision has been made therefor;
- 14 (4) A statement that all remaining property and assets of the corporation have been
- distributed in accordance with the plan of dissolution, or that such property and assets
- have been deposited with the <del>Department of Administrative Services</del> Office of Treasury
- and Fiscal Services as provided in Code Section 14-3-1440;
- 18 (5) A statement that there are no actions pending against the corporation in any court, or
- that adequate provision has been made for the satisfaction of any judgment, order, or
- decree which may be entered against it in any pending action; and
- 21 (6) A statement that, if required, it notified the Attorney General of its intent to dissolve."

SECTION 5.

- 23 Said title is further amended by striking in its entirety subsection (c) of Code Section
- 24 14-3-1433, relating to a decree of dissolution with regard to nonprofit corporations, and
- 25 inserting in lieu thereof the following:
- 26 "(c) When the costs and expenses of dissolution proceedings and all debts, obligations, and
- 27 liabilities of the corporation have been paid and discharged or provided for and all of its
- 28 remaining assets distributed to its members or provided for or such assets have been
- 29 deposited with the <del>Department of Administrative Services</del> Office of Treasury and Fiscal
- 30 <u>Services</u> as provided in Code Section 14-3-1440, the court shall enter a decree of
- dissolution, and upon filing of the decree with the Secretary of State, it shall have the same
- 32 effect as articles of dissolution."

SECTION 6.

2 Said title is further amended by striking Code Section 14-3-1440, relating to the deposit of

- 3 assets with the Department of Administrative Services with regard to nonprofit corporations,
- 4 and inserting in lieu thereof the following:
- 5 "14-3-1440.
- 6 Assets of a dissolved corporation that should be transferred to a creditor, claimant, or
- 7 member of the corporation who cannot be found or who is not competent to receive them
- 8 shall be reduced to cash and deposited with the Department of Administrative Services
- 9 Office of Treasury and Fiscal Services for safekeeping. When the creditor, claimant, or
- 10 member furnishes satisfactory proof of entitlement to the amount deposited, the
- 11 Department of Administrative Services Office of Treasury and Fiscal Services shall pay
- 12 him <u>or her</u> or his <u>or her</u> representative that amount. After the <del>Department of</del>
- 13 Administrative Services Office of Treasury and Fiscal Services has held the unclaimed
- cash for six months, the <del>Department of Administrative Services</del> Office of Treasury and
- 15 <u>Fiscal Services</u> shall pay such cash to the Board of Regents of the University System of
- Georgia, to be held without liability for profit or interest until a claim for such cash shall
- be filed with the <del>Department of Administrative Services</del> Office of Treasury and Fiscal
- 18 <u>Services</u> by the parties entitled thereto. No such claim shall be made more than six years
- after such cash is deposited with the Department of Administrative Services Office of
- 20 Treasury and Fiscal Services."

21 SECTION 7.

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