

House Bill 737 (COMMITTEE SUBSTITUTE)

By: Representative Bordeaux of the 151st

A BILL TO BE ENTITLED
AN ACT

1 To amend Code Section 9-15-14 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to
2 litigation costs and attorney's fees assessed for frivolous actions and defenses, so as to
3 provide that attorney's fees and expenses of litigation awarded under this Code section in a
4 prior action shall be treated as court costs with regard to the filing of any subsequent action;
5 to repeal conflicting laws; and for other purposes.

6 BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF GEORGIA:

7 **SECTION 1.**

8 Code Section 9-15-14 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to litigation costs
9 and attorney's fees assessed for frivolous actions and defenses, is amended by striking
10 subsection (g) in its entirety and inserting in lieu thereof a new subsection (g) to read as
11 follows:

12 "(g) ~~Reserved.~~ Attorney's fees and expenses of litigation awarded under this Code section
13 in a prior action between the same parties shall be treated as court costs with regard to the
14 filing of any subsequent action."

15 **SECTION 2.**

16 All laws and parts of laws in conflict with this Act are repealed.