

The House Committee on Judiciary offered the following substitute to SB 22:

A BILL TO BE ENTITLED  
AN ACT

1 To amend Code Section 16-10-94 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to  
2 tampering with evidence, so as to increase the penalties for such crime; to repeal conflicting  
3 laws; and for other purposes.

4 BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF GEORGIA:

**SECTION 1.**

5 Code Section 16-10-94 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to tampering with  
6 evidence, is amended by striking subsection (c) in its entirety and inserting in lieu thereof the  
7 following:  
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9 "(c) Any Except as otherwise provided in this subsection, any person who violates  
10 subsection (a) of this Code section involving the prosecution or defense of a felony and  
11 involving another person shall be guilty of a felony and, upon conviction thereof, shall be  
12 punished by imprisonment for not less than one nor more than five years. Any person who  
13 violates subsection (a) of this Code section involving the prosecution or defense of a felony  
14 punishable by imprisonment for 20 or more years or life imprisonment and involving  
15 another person shall be guilty of a felony and, upon conviction thereof, shall be punished  
16 by imprisonment for not less than one nor more than ten years. Except as otherwise  
17 provided in this subsection, any person who violates subsection (a) of this Code section  
18 involving the prosecution or defense of a misdemeanor shall be guilty of a misdemeanor."

**SECTION 2.**

19 All laws and parts of laws in conflict with this Act are repealed.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