

House Bill 593 (AS PASSED HOUSE AND SENATE)

By: Representatives Squires of the 78th, Martin of the 47th and Sinkfield of the 57th

A BILL TO BE ENTITLED
AN ACT

1 To amend Article 9 of Chapter 4 of Title 49 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated,
2 known as the "Temporary Assistance for Needy Families Act," so as to change the provision
3 relating to eligibility for assistance for qualified aliens; to repeal conflicting laws; and for
4 other purposes.

5 BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF GEORGIA:

6 **SECTION 1.**

7 Article 9 of Chapter 4 of Title 49 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, known as the
8 "Temporary Assistance for Needy Families Act," is amended by striking subsection (b) of
9 Code Section 49-4-188, relating to eligibility for assistance for qualified aliens, and inserting
10 in lieu thereof the following:

11 ~~"(b) Qualified aliens who arrived in the United States prior to August 22, 1996, will~~
12 ~~continue to be eligible for assistance under the Georgia TANF Program upon meeting the~~
13 ~~same qualifications and conditions as other applicants. Qualified aliens who arrived in the~~
14 ~~United States on or after August 22, 1996, will not be eligible for TANF assistance, except~~
15 ~~to the extent required by federal law; provided, however, that such qualified aliens will be~~
16 ~~eligible for cash assistance until July 1, 2001 2002, unless such period is extended by~~
17 ~~enactment of the General Assembly, upon meeting the same qualifications and conditions~~
18 ~~as other applicants."~~

19 **SECTION 2.**

20 All laws and parts of laws in conflict with this Act are repealed.