

House Bill 222

By: Representative Wiles of the 34th

A BILL TO BE ENTITLED
AN ACT

1 To amend Code Section 40-2-37 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating
2 to registration and licensing of vehicles of the state and political subdivisions, so as
3 to change certain provisions relating to license plate appearance; to provide effective
4 dates; to repeal conflicting laws; and for other purposes.

5 BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF GEORGIA:

6 PART I
7 SECTION 1-1.

8 Code Section 40-2-37 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to
9 registration and licensing of vehicles of the state and political subdivisions, is
10 amended by striking subsection (b) and inserting in lieu thereof the following:

11 "(b) For all vehicles owned by the State of Georgia or any municipality or other
12 political subdivision of this state, except those vehicles employed in covert or secret
13 investigatory police functions to which regular Georgia license plates are issued and
14 those vehicles owned by the Department of Public Safety, the Department of
15 Revenue shall provide for five-year registration and issuance of regular license
16 plates for such vehicles. The five-year license plates issued pursuant to this
17 subsection shall be identical in appearance to regular license plates issued for
18 private vehicles, provided that such five-year license plates issued on or after July
19 1, 2001, shall display the year of registration expiration. Such license plates may
20 be transferred as provided for in subsection (d) of this Code section. Such five-year
21 license plates shall be issued at the beginning of a five-year license period as for
22 private vehicles or shall be issued at the time the vehicle is purchased by the state,
23 and all such license plates shall expire at the same time as regular license plates."

PART II

SECTION 2-1.

Code Section 40-2-37 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to registration and licensing of vehicles of the state and political subdivisions, is amended by striking subsection (b) and inserting in lieu thereof the following:

"(b) For all vehicles owned by the State of Georgia or any municipality or other political subdivision of this state, except those vehicles employed in covert or secret investigatory police functions to which regular Georgia license plates are issued and those vehicles owned by the Department of Public Safety, the commissioner shall provide for five-year registration and issuance of regular license plates for such vehicles. The five-year license plates issued pursuant to this subsection shall be identical in appearance to regular license plates issued for private vehicles, provided that such five-year license plates issued on or after July 1, 2001, shall display the year of registration expiration. Such license plates may be transferred as provided for in subsection (d) of this Code section. Such five-year license plates shall be issued at the beginning of a five-year license period as for private vehicles or shall be issued at the time the vehicle is purchased by the state, and all such license plates shall expire at the same time as regular license plates."

PART III

SECTION 3-1.

(a) This Act shall become effective July 1, 2001, except as otherwise provided by subsection (b) of this section.

(b) Each provision amended in Part II of this Act shall become effective and supersede that respective provision amended in Part I of this Act on July 1, 2001, or on such date thereafter as that same provision, as amended by an Act approved April 28, 2000 (Ga. L. 2000, p. 951), becomes fully effective pursuant to Section 13-1 of that 2000 Act, whichever is later.

SECTION 3-2.

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