

House Bill 1004

By: Representatives Pinholster of the 15<sup>th</sup> and Twiggs of the 8<sup>th</sup>

A BILL TO BE ENTITLED  
AN ACT

1 To amend Code Section 12-2-2 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to the  
2 Environmental Protection Division of the Department of Natural Resources, so as to provide  
3 for additional requirements regarding the initiation of complaints and investigation of alleged  
4 violations; to provide an effective date; to repeal conflicting laws; and for other purposes.

5 BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF GEORGIA:

6 **SECTION 1.**

7 Code Section 12-2-2 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to the  
8 Environmental Protection Division of the Department of Natural Resources, is amended by  
9 adding a new subsection at the end thereof, to be designated subsection (f), to read as  
10 follows:

11 "(f) Notwithstanding any other provision of law to the contrary, any person who initiates  
12 a complaint with the director regarding an alleged violation of any law or regulation to be  
13 enforced by the division shall provide such person's name, telephone number, and address  
14 which information shall be provided by the director to the person or persons against whom  
15 the complaint has been raised prior to the commencement of any investigation of the  
16 alleged violation by the division."

17 **SECTION 2.**

18 This Act shall become effective upon its approval by the Governor or upon its becoming law  
19 without such approval.

20 **SECTION 3.**

21 All laws and parts of laws in conflict with this Act are repealed.