

House Bill 1005

By: Representative Pinholster of the 15th

A BILL TO BE ENTITLED
AN ACT

1 To amend Chapter 1 of Title 9 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to general
2 provisions with regard to civil practice, so as to require mediation with respect to all civil
3 actions; to provide an effective date; to repeal conflicting laws; and for other purposes.

4 BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF GEORGIA:

5 style="text-align:center">**SECTION 1.**

6 Chapter 1 of Title 9 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to general provisions
7 with regard to civil practice, is amended by striking the "Reserved" designation and inserting
8 in its place the following:

9 "9-1-1.

10 Notwithstanding any other provision of law to the contrary, and the provisions of this title
11 in particular, no civil action, as defined in Code Section 9-2-1, shall be commenced or
12 otherwise initiated by any method other than mediation."

13 style="text-align:center">**SECTION 2.**

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

16 style="text-align:center">**SECTION 3.**

17 All laws and parts of laws in conflict with this Act are repealed.