

House Bill 529

By: Representatives Royal of the 140th, Sims of the 130th and Borders of the 142nd

A BILL TO BE ENTITLED
AN ACT

1 To amend Part 1 of Article 3 of Chapter 5 of Title 48 of the Official Code of Georgia
2 Annotated, relating to tax receivers, so as to change certain provisions regarding the
3 accumulation of statistical information with respect to taxpayers; to require the accumulation
4 of certain additional information; to provide for confidentiality with respect to such
5 information; to provide for authorized uses of such information; to provide for applicability
6 of certain provisions regarding geographic information systems; to provide for related
7 matters; to provide for an effective date; to repeal conflicting laws; and for other purposes.

8 BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF GEORGIA:

9 **SECTION 1.**

10 Part 1 of Article 3 of Chapter 5 of Title 48 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated,
11 relating to tax receivers, is amended by striking Code Section 48-5-109, relating to the
12 accumulation of statistical information with respect to taxpayers, and inserting in its place
13 a new Code Section 48-5-109 to read as follows:

14 "48-5-109.

15 (a) Each tax receiver and tax commissioner shall accumulate statistical information, in
16 regard to taxpayers, of such nature as required by the commissioner or as they deem to be
17 of benefit to the commissioner. Nothing contained in this Code section shall preclude or
18 prohibit the commissioner from collecting such information as he or she deems necessary
19 and beneficial in discharging the official duties of his or her office.

20 (b) All such statistical information shall be privileged and confidential to the same extent
21 and under the same conditions as provided under Code Section 48-2-15.

22 (c) Subsection (b) of this Code section shall not prohibit a county or municipality from
23 otherwise exercising any power or authority granted to it with respect to geographic
24 information systems pursuant to Code Section 50-29-2."

1 **SECTION 2.**

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

4 **SECTION 3.**

5 All laws and parts of laws in conflict with this Act are repealed.