

House Bill 732

By: Representative Millar of the 52nd

A BILL TO BE ENTITLED
AN ACT

1 To amend Code Section 50-3-1 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to the
2 state flag and certain monuments and memorials, so as to change the design and description
3 of the state flag; to provide for related matters; to provide for an effective date; to repeal
4 conflicting laws; and for other purposes.

5 BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF GEORGIA:

6 **SECTION 1.**

7 Code Section 50-3-1 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to the state flag and
8 certain monuments and memorials, is amended by striking subsection (a) and inserting in its
9 place a new subsection to read as follows:

10 ~~"(a) The flag of the State of Georgia shall be a blue field, centered upon which shall be~~
11 ~~placed a representation of that side of the great seal of the state described at subsection (c)~~
12 ~~of Code Section 50-3-30, centered in a circle of 13 equally spaced white mullets or~~
13 ~~five-pointed stars, and beneath the same shall be an escroll or ribbon, gold, two-thirds the~~
14 ~~length of the field, bearing the words 'Georgia's History' and charged below said words~~
15 ~~with a representation of five flags horizontally presented as follows: the first, to the left,~~
16 ~~being that version of the flag of the United States of America consisting of a field of 13 red~~
17 ~~and white stripes and, centered in a canton of blue, a circle of 13 equally spaced white~~
18 ~~mullets or five-pointed stars, as adopted by the Continental Congress in 1777 and~~
19 ~~commonly known as the 'Stars and Stripes' or the '1777 Flag'; to the right thereof a flag~~
20 ~~consisting of a field of blue, centered upon which shall be placed a representation of the~~
21 ~~coat of arms of the state as the same appeared on the great seal of the state adopted in 1799,~~
22 ~~and which flag is commonly known as the 'Pre-1879 Georgia State Flag'; to the right~~
23 ~~thereof a flag consisting consist of a vertical band of blue occupying the leftmost one-third~~
24 ~~of the entire flag, on which shall be placed a representation of that side of the great seal of~~
25 ~~the state approved in 1914 which contained the coat of arms of the state, and the remainder~~
26 ~~of which flag shall consist of a scarlet field horizontally bisected by a white band such that~~

1 said band shall be equal in width to the remainder of the scarlet field both above and below;
2 ~~which flag is commonly known as the 'Pre-1956 Georgia State Flag'; to the right thereof~~
3 ~~the flag of the State of Georgia as approved at Ga. L. 1956, p. 38, Section 1; and to the~~
4 ~~right thereof that version of the flag of the United States of America consisting of a field~~
5 ~~of 13 red and white stripes and a canton of blue bearing 50 white mullets or five-pointed~~
6 ~~stars, such that such flag shall represent the flag of the United States of America as the~~
7 ~~same appeared on July 4, 1960. And under the horizontal representation of the five flags,~~
8 ~~the phrase 'In God We Trust' shall be written in the blue section and in the same gold color~~
9 ~~as the State Seal. Every force of the organized militia shall carry this flag when on parade~~
10 ~~or review."~~

11 **SECTION 2.**

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

14 **SECTION 3.**

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