

Senate Bill 340

By: Senator Thomas of the 10th

A BILL TO BE ENTITLED  
AN ACT

1 To amend Chapter 2 of Title 21 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to  
2 elections and primaries generally, so as to require that direct recording electronic voting  
3 systems authorized for use in the state have a voter inspected, auditable paper trail and open  
4 source software; to provide for the method of voting on such systems; to provide for the  
5 retention of certain records; to provide for related matters; to repeal conflicting laws; and for  
6 other purposes.

7 BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF GEORGIA:

8 **SECTION 1.**

9 Chapter 2 of Title 21 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to elections and  
10 primaries generally, is amended by striking paragraphs (9) and (10) of Code Section  
11 21-2-379.1, relating to requirements for use of electronic recording voting systems, and  
12 inserting in lieu thereof new paragraphs (9), (10), (11), and (12) to read as follows:

13 "(9) It shall be so constructed that an elector may readily learn the method of operating it;  
14 ~~and~~

15 (10) It shall be safely transportable;

16 (11) It shall provide the voter with a printed summary on paper of the votes cast by the  
17 voter in clear language for the voter to verify his or her votes and shall permit the voter to  
18 cancel his or her vote if the choices listed on the paper summary are not in accordance with  
19 the votes cast on the device and to vote again; and

20 (12) The software source code for the vote recording and vote counting processes for the  
21 system shall be filed with the Secretary of State and shall be open for public inspection and  
22 review."



1 appropriate officer with the other election records in accordance with Code Section  
2 21-2-500."

3 **SECTION 4.**

4 All laws and parts of laws in conflict with this Act are repealed.