

House Bill 879

By: Representative Porter of the 119th

A BILL TO BE ENTITLED
AN ACT

1 To amend Code Section 15-10-60 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to the
2 applicability of the article on violation of ordinances of county and state authorities and
3 imposition of suspended sentences, so as to provide for increased jail punishment; to provide
4 for related matters; to repeal conflicting laws; and for other purposes.

5 BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF GEORGIA:

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

7 Code Section 15-10-60 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to the
8 applicability of the article on violation of ordinances of county and state authorities and
9 imposition of suspended sentences, is amended by striking subsection (a) and inserting in
10 lieu thereof the following:

11 "(a) This article governs trials of violations of county ordinances and ordinances of state
12 authorities, which violations may be punished by incarceration or monetary penalty.
13 Nothing in this chapter shall grant to any county or state authority more authority to enact
14 or enforce such ordinances than the county or state authority has independently of this
15 chapter. The punishment imposed for any ordinance violation shall not exceed a fine of
16 \$1,000.00 or ~~60 days~~ six months imprisonment or both, except as otherwise provided by
17 general law, and shall not exceed the maximum punishment specified by the ordinance."

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

19 All laws and parts of laws in conflict with this Act are repealed.