House Bill 990

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A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT

To amend Code Section 35-3-36 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to the 1 2 duties of state criminal justice agencies as to submission of fingerprints, photographs, and 3 other identifying data to the Georgia Crime Information Center, so as to provide civil 4 immunity for bondsmen relying good faith on certain official records; to repeal conflicting laws; and for other purposes. 5 BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF GEORGIA: 6

SECTION 1.

8 Code Section 35-3-36 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to the duties of 9 state criminal justice agencies as to submission of fingerprints, photographs, and other 10 identifying data to the Georgia Crime Information Center, is amended by inserting at the end 11 thereof the following: 12 "(o) A bonding company and its employees and agents may rely on the accuracy of the information shown in the computerized files of the Georgia Crime Information Center and 13 14 the National Crime Information Center and shall not be liable for the wrongful

- 15 apprehension of any person represented as wanted in such files unless the person being
- apprehended presents to the surety a certified copy of the disposition of the case resulting 16
- in the issuance of warrant upon which he or she is being apprehended; provided, however, 17
- 18 that such immunity shall extend only for 72 hours after the disposition of the case."
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SECTION 2.

20 All laws and parts of laws in conflict with this Act are repealed.

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