House Bill 1002

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A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT

To amend Chapter 60 of Title 36 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to general provisions applicable to counties and municipalities, so as to provide that voluntary agencies that assist with the resettlement of refugees must make certain reports to the county and municipality in which such agencies are located; to provide a definition; to repeal conflicting laws; and for other purposes.

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BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF GEORGIA:

SECTION 1.

8 Chapter 60 of Title 36 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to general 9 provisions applicable to counties and municipalities, is amended by adding a new Code 10 Section 36-60-24 to read as follows:

11 ″36-60-24.

12 Any voluntary agency that is involved in the resettlement of refugees in this state shall report to the governing authority of the county and, if located within a municipality, to the 13 14 governing authority of the municipality in which such agency is located each time that such 15 agency resettles or assists in the resettlement of ten or more refugees at one time in such county or municipality within ten days of such refugees arrival in the county. For the 16 purposes of this Code section, 'voluntary agency' shall mean an agency located in this state 17 18 that contracts with the United States Department of State or a National Voluntary 19 Resettlement Agency to provide reception and placement services to refugees who reside in this state." 20

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SECTION 2.

22 All laws and parts of laws in conflict with this Act are repealed.