

**WITHDRAWN**

1 Senators Reed of the 35th, Fort of the 39th, Zamarripa of the 36th, Seay of the 34th, Butler  
2 of the 55th and others offered the following amendment:

3 Amend HB 380 by striking line 1 of page 1 through line 14 of page 6 and inserting in lieu  
4 thereof the following:

5 "To amend Code Section 50-3-1 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to the  
6 description of the state flag, militia to carry the flag, and defacing public monuments and  
7 prohibiting the defacement of Stone Mountain, so as to repeal the description of the state  
8 flag; to provide that the only flag permitted to fly over any state property or institution shall  
9 be the flag of the United States of America; to authorize designation of a flag by executive  
10 order; to provide an exception; to provide an effective date; to repeal conflicting laws; and  
11 for other purposes.

12 BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF GEORGIA:

**SECTION 1.**

13 Code Section 50-3-1 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to the description  
14 of the state flag, militia to carry the flag, and defacing public monuments and prohibiting the  
15 defacement of Stone Mountain, is amended by striking in its entirety subsection (a) and  
16 inserting in lieu thereof the following:

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

1 state approved in 1914 which contained the coat of arms of the state, and the remainder of  
2 which flag shall consist of a scarlet field horizontally bisected by a white band such that  
3 said band shall be equal in width to the remainder of the scarlet field both above and below,  
4 which flag is commonly known as the "Pre-1956 Georgia State Flag"; to the right thereof  
5 the flag of the State of Georgia as approved at Ga. L. 1956, p. 38, Section 1; and to the  
6 right thereof that version of the flag of the United States of America consisting of a field  
7 of 13 red and white stripes and a canton of blue bearing 50 white mullets or five-pointed  
8 stars, such that such flag shall represent the flag of the United States of America as the  
9 same appeared on July 4, 1960. And under the horizontal representation of the five flags,  
10 the phrase "In God We Trust" shall be written in the blue section and in the same gold color  
11 as the state seal. Every force of the organized militia shall carry this flag when on parade  
12 or review. Any other provision of law to the contrary notwithstanding, the only flag  
13 authorized to be flown or displayed on state property or at any state institution shall be the  
14 flag of the United States of America unless the Governor by executive order designates a  
15 flag which may be used by the organized militia and flown or displayed on state property  
16 and at state institutions. This subsection shall not, however, prohibit the display of historic  
17 flags in a museum setting.'

## 18 SECTION 2.

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

## 21 SECTION 3.

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