

House Bill 470 (AS PASSED HOUSE AND SENATE)

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A BILL TO BE ENTITLED  
AN ACT

1 To amend Code Section 15-11-2 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to  
2 definitions relative to juvenile proceedings, so as to change a definition; to repeal conflicting  
3 laws; and for other purposes.

4 BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF GEORGIA:

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

6 Code Section 15-11-2 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to definitions  
7 relative to juvenile proceedings, is amended by striking paragraph (2), and inserting in its  
8 place the following:

9 "(2) 'Child' means any individual who is:

10 (A) Under the age of 17 years;

11 (B) Under the age of 21 years, who committed an act of delinquency before reaching  
12 the age of 17 years, and who has been placed under the supervision of the court or on  
13 probation to the court; or

14 (C) Under the age of 18 years, if alleged to be a 'deprived child' or a 'status offender'  
15 as defined by this Code section."

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

17 All laws and parts of laws in conflict with this Act are repealed.