

House Bill 1113

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A BILL TO BE ENTITLED  
AN ACT

To amend Article 1 of Chapter 6 of Title 40 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to general provisions regarding uniform rules of the road, so as to prohibit the use of traffic-control device preemption emitters or similar devices by any person other than law enforcement, fire department, or emergency personnel; to provide for criminal penalties; to provide an effective date; to repeal conflicting laws; and for other purposes.

BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF GEORGIA:

**SECTION 1.**

Article 1 of Chapter 6 of Title 40 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to general provisions regarding uniform rules of the road, is amended by adding a new Code section at the end thereof, to be designated Code Section 40-6-17, to read as follows:

"40-6-17.

(a) As used in this Code section, the term 'traffic-control device preemption emitter' means a mobile infrared transmitter or any other similar device which transmits an infrared beam, radio wave, or other signal used for the purpose of changing, altering, disabling, or disrupting the normal signal sequence of a traffic-control device.

(b) It shall be unlawful for any person other than law enforcement, fire department, or emergency personnel to use a traffic-control device preemption emitter.

(c) Any person who violates subsection (b) of this Code section shall be guilty of a misdemeanor."

**SECTION 2.**

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

**SECTION 3.**

All laws and parts of laws in conflict with this Act are repealed.