

The House Committee on Human Relations & Aging offers the following substitute to HB 1250:

A BILL TO BE ENTITLED  
AN ACT

1 To amend Title 17 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to criminal procedure,  
2 so as to provide for a senior protection advisory council; to provide for related matters; to  
3 repeal conflicting laws; and for other purposes.

4 BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF GEORGIA:

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

6 Title 17 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to criminal procedure, is  
7 amended by inserting a new Chapter 19 to read as follows:

8 style="text-align:center">"CHAPTER 19

9 17-19-1.

10 (a) There is created the Senior Protection Advisory Council to oversee efforts to educate  
11 elderly citizens about crimes committed against them, ways to protect themselves, and the  
12 manner in which to report illegal activities. The Attorney General shall serve as the  
13 chairperson of the council and the council shall be composed of nine additional members  
14 to be appointed as follows: three by the Governor, three by the Speaker of the House of  
15 Representatives, and three by the Lieutenant Governor.

16 (b) Each appointing official shall initially appoint one member to serve for a term of three  
17 years, one member to serve for a term of four years, and one member to serve for a term  
18 of five years. Thereafter, each member shall serve for a term of four years. Such members  
19 shall serve until the appointment and qualification of their successors.

20 (c) All successors shall be appointed in the same manner as original appointments.  
21 Vacancies in office shall be filled in the same manner as original appointments. An  
22 appointment to fill a vacancy shall be for the unexpired term. The council shall elect its  
23 own officers. No vacancy on the council shall impair the right of the quorum to exercise  
24 all rights and perform all duties of the council.

- 1 (d) The members of the council shall receive no compensation for their services but shall  
2 be entitled to and shall be reimbursed for their actual expenses from the Department of Law  
3 funds, including travel and any other expenses incurred in the performance of their duties.  
4 Reimbursement for travel by a personal motor vehicle shall be made in the same manner  
5 and subject to the same limitations as provided in Code Section 45-7-20.
- 6 (e) The council is assigned to the Department of Law for administrative purposes only, as  
7 prescribed in Code Section 50-4-3."

8 **SECTION 2.**

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