

House Bill 1480

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A BILL TO BE ENTITLED  
AN ACT

1 To amend Chapter 2 of Title 20 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to  
2 elementary and secondary education, so as to provide for a peace officer taking temporary  
3 custody of a child who has left school or an official field trip without authorization; to  
4 provide for disposition of such a child; to repeal conflicting laws; and for other purposes.

5 BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF GEORGIA:

6 **SECTION 1.**

7 Chapter 2 of Title 20 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to elementary and  
8 secondary education, is amended by inserting a new Code section to be designated Code  
9 Section 20-2-690.2 to read as follows:

10 "20-2-690.2.

11 A child enrolled in a public school in this state who leaves the school or an official field  
12 trip of the school without permission from a teacher or school official shall be subject to  
13 being taken into temporary custody by a peace officer for delivery to the child's parent,  
14 school, or, if the child has been adjudged delinquent or unruly, before the probation officer  
15 of the county having jurisdiction over the child in accordance with Code Sections 20-2-698  
16 and 20-2-699."

17 **SECTION 2.**

18 All laws and parts of laws in conflict with this Act are repealed.