

House Bill 1562

By: Representatives Buckner of the 82nd, Manning of the 32nd, Barnes of the 84th, Post 2, Dodson of the 84th, Post 1, Randall of the 107th, and others

A BILL TO BE ENTITLED
AN ACT

1 To amend Code Section 15-21-131 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to
2 imposition of additional fines to fund local victim assistance programs, so as to increase the
3 percentage of the additional penalty imposed to fund victim assistance programs from 5
4 percent to 8 percent; to repeal conflicting laws; and for other purposes.

5 BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF GEORGIA:

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

7 Code Section 15-21-131 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to imposition
8 of additional fines to fund local victim assistance programs, is amended by striking
9 subsection (a) of said Code section and inserting in lieu thereof a new subsection (a) to read
10 as follows:

11 "(a) In every case in which any court of this state or any municipality or political
12 subdivision of this state shall impose a fine, which shall be construed to include costs, for
13 any criminal offense or any criminal ordinance violation, there shall be imposed as an
14 additional penalty a sum equal to ~~5~~ 8 percent of the original fine.

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

16 All laws and parts of laws in conflict with this Act are repealed.