

House Bill 1588 (COMMITTEE SUBSTITUTE)

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A BILL TO BE ENTITLED  
AN ACT

1 To amend Code Section 40-2-62 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to  
2 special license plates for members of the General Assembly, so as to change certain  
3 provisions relating to design of the license plate; to provide for related matters; to provide  
4 an effective date; 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 40-2-62 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to special license  
8 plates for members of the General Assembly, is amended by striking said Code section and  
9 inserting in its place the following:

10 "40-2-62.

11 (a) The commissioner shall mail special and distinctive license plates printed for members  
12 of the General Assembly to the local tag agent in the counties wherein such members reside  
13 on or before the owner's registration period each year. Such special and distinctive license  
14 plates shall be issued only upon applications made to the local tag agent and payment of  
15 a \$25.00 manufacturing fee. License plates may be issued by the local tag agent upon a  
16 proper application and in accordance with the terms of this chapter. License plates issued  
17 pursuant to this Code section need not contain a place for the county name decal, and no  
18 county name decal need be affixed to a license plate issued pursuant to this Code section.  
19 Special and distinctive license plates issued pursuant to this Code section shall be renewed  
20 annually, and revalidation decals shall be issued upon compliance with the laws relating  
21 to registration and licensing and upon payment of an additional registration fee of \$25.00  
22 which shall be collected by the county tag agent at the time for collection of other  
23 registration fees and shall be remitted to the state as provided in Code Section 40-2-34.  
24 Each valid license plate issued under this Code section prior to January 1, 2005, shall be  
25 surrendered during the member's registration period in calendar year 2005. On and after  
26 January 1, 2005, the design of all license plates issued under this Code section shall be the

1 Capitol Dome placed to the left of the member's district number on the license plate. The  
2 special license plates issued pursuant to this Code section shall be transferred to another  
3 vehicle as provided in Code Section 40-2-80.

4 (b) Notwithstanding the provisions of Code Section 40-2-31, a member may retain his or  
5 her previously issued license plate until January 1, 2005."

6 **SECTION 2.**

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

9 **SECTION 3.**

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