

1 Senator Hall of the 22nd offered the following amendment:

2 Amend the Senate Judiciary Committee substitute to HB 1259 by inserting after "convicted;"  
3 on line 5 on page 1 "to amend Code Section 42-1-12 of the Official Code of Georgia  
4 Annotated, relating to the state sexual offender registry, so as to require that the photograph  
5 of a person who is convicted of certain crimes for which such person is required to register  
6 as a sexual offender shall be published in the legal organ of the county in which such person  
7 was convicted;".

8 By inserting after line 22 on page 4 the following:

9 "Code Section 42-1-12 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to the state  
10 sexual offender registry, is amended by adding a new subsection (n) to read as follows:

11 '(n)(1) The clerk of the court in which a person is convicted of a crime for which such  
12 person is required to register under this Code section shall cause to be published a notice  
13 of conviction for such person. Such notice of conviction shall be published in the manner  
14 of legal notices in the legal organ of the county in which such person resides or, in the  
15 case of nonresidents, in the legal organ of the county in which the person was convicted.  
16 Such notice of conviction shall be one column wide by two inches long and shall contain  
17 the photograph taken by the arresting law enforcement agency at the time of arrest, the  
18 name and address of the convicted person, and the date, time, place of arrest, and  
19 disposition of the case and shall be published once in the legal organ of the appropriate  
20 county in the second week following such conviction or as soon thereafter as publication  
21 may be made.

22 (2) The convicted person for which a notice of conviction is published pursuant to this  
23 subsection shall be assessed \$25.00 for the cost of publication of such notice and such  
24 assessment shall be imposed at the time of conviction in addition to any other fine  
25 imposed.

26 (3) The clerk of the court, the publisher of any legal organ which publishes a notice of  
27 conviction, and any other person involved in the publication of an erroneous notice of  
28 conviction shall be immune from civil or criminal liability for such erroneous publication,  
29 provided that such publication was made in good faith.'

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**SECTION 7."**