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House Bill 1113 (AS PASSED HOUSE AND SENATE)

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A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT

- 1 To amend Article 1 of Chapter 6 of Title 40 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated,
- 2 relating to general provisions regarding uniform rules of the road, so as to prohibit the use,
- 3 possession with the ability to use, sale, and purchase of traffic-control device preemption
- 4 emitters or similar devices by any person other than law enforcement, fire department, or
- 5 emergency personnel; to provide for criminal penalties; to provide an effective date; to repeal
- 6 conflicting laws; and for other purposes.

7 BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF GEORGIA:

8 SECTION 1.

- 9 Article 1 of Chapter 6 of Title 40 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to
- 10 general provisions regarding uniform rules of the road, is amended by adding a new Code
- section at the end thereof, to be designated Code Section 40-6-17, to read as follows:
- 12 "40-6-17.
- 13 (a) As used in this Code section, the term 'traffic-control device preemption emitter' means
- a mobile infrared transmitter or any other similar device which transmits an infrared beam,
- radio wave, or other signal used for the purpose of changing, altering, disabling, or
- disrupting the normal signal sequence of a traffic-control device.
- 17 (b) It shall be unlawful for any person other than law enforcement, fire department, or
- 18 emergency personnel to use, possess with the ability to use, sell, or purchase a
- 19 traffic-control device preemption emitter.
- 20 (c) Any person who violates subsection (b) of this Code section shall be guilty of a
- 21 misdemeanor."
- SECTION 2.
- 23 This Act shall become effective upon its approval by the Governor or upon its becoming law
- 24 without such approval.

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1 SECTION 3.

2 All laws and parts of laws in conflict with this Act are repealed.