

Senate Bill 44

By: Senator Hamrick of the 30th

AS PASSED SENATE

**A BILL TO BE ENTITLED
AN ACT**

1 To amend Code Section 42-2-11 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to
2 powers and duties of the Board of Corrections, so as to authorize the board to enter into
3 contracts for the operation of private probation detention and diversion centers; to provide
4 for rules and regulations for the operation of such centers; to provide for related matters; to
5 provide an effective date; to repeal conflicting laws; and for other purposes.

6 **BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF GEORGIA:**

7 **SECTION 1.**

8 Code Section 42-2-11 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to powers and
9 duties of the Board of Corrections, is amended by adding a new subsection (i) to read as
10 follows:

11 "(i) The board shall have the authority to request bids and proposals and to enter into
12 contracts for the operation of probation detention centers by private companies and entities
13 for the confinement of probationers under Code Section 42-8-35.4 and probation diversion
14 centers for the confinement of probationers under Code Section 42-8-35.5. The board shall
15 have the authority to adopt, establish, and promulgate rules and regulations for the
16 operation of probation detention and probation diversion centers by private companies and
17 entities."

18 **SECTION 2.**

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

21 **SECTION 3.**

22 All laws and parts of laws in conflict with this Act are repealed.