

Senate Bill 94

By: Senators Harp of the 29th, Carter of the 13th, Heath of the 31st, Goggans of the 7th, Mullis of the 53rd and others

AS PASSED SENATE

A BILL TO BE ENTITLED

AN ACT

1 To amend Article 2 of Chapter 9 of Title 19 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, the "Georgia
2 Child Custody Intrastate Jurisdiction Act of 1978," so as to change certain provisions relating to
3 actions by physical or legal custodians not being permitted in certain circumstances; to prohibit
4 other persons or entities from maintaining certain actions under certain circumstances; to repeal
5 conflicting laws; and for other purposes.

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

7 **SECTION 1.**

8 Article 2 of Chapter 9 of Title 19 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, the "Georgia Child
9 Custody Intrastate Jurisdiction Act of 1978," is amended by adding a new subsection (c) to Code
10 Section 19-9-24, relating to actions by physical or legal custodians not being permitted in certain
11 circumstances, to read as follows:

12 "(c) A legal custodian, the state, or any state agency shall not be allowed to maintain any action
13 for child support or any application for contempt of court so long as custody or visitation rights
14 are withheld in violation of a valid custody or visitation order."

15 **SECTION 2.**

16 All laws and parts of laws in conflict with this Act are repealed.