

## House Bill 150 (COMMITTEE SUBSTITUTE)

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A BILL TO BE ENTITLED  
AN ACT

1 To amend Code Section 15-2-8 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to the  
2 powers of the Georgia Supreme Court, so as to provide that certain persons who do not meet  
3 the normal educational requirements for admission to the bar but are members in good  
4 standing of the bar of any state of the United States shall be eligible to take the examination  
5 for admission to the state bar and, upon successful completion, to be admitted to the practice  
6 of law in this state; to provide for related matters; to provide an effective date; to repeal  
7 conflicting laws; and for other purposes.

8 BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF GEORGIA:

9 **SECTION 1.**

10 Code Section 15-2-8 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to the powers of the  
11 Georgia Supreme Court, is amended by striking paragraph (5) and inserting in lieu thereof  
12 a new paragraph (5) to read as follows:

13 "(5) To establish, amend, and alter its own rules of practice and to regulate the admission  
14 of attorneys to the practice of law; provided, however, that any person shall be allowed  
15 to take the examination for admission to the State Bar of Georgia and, upon successful  
16 completion, shall be admitted to the practice of law in this state if such person:

17 (A) Is a member in good standing of the bar of any other state of the United States; and

18 (B) Meets all requirements other than educational requirements for eligibility to take  
19 such examination and be admitted to the State Bar of Georgia;".

20 **SECTION 2.**

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

23 **SECTION 3.**

24 All laws and parts of laws in conflict with this Act are repealed.