

The House Committee on Judiciary Non-civil offers the following substitute to HB 1501:

A BILL TO BE ENTITLED
AN ACT

1 To amend Article 1 of Chapter 3 of Title 3 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated,
2 relating to regulation of alcoholic beverages in general, so as to provide certain limits for
3 fines imposed for violations of local alcoholic beverage ordinances; to provide for an
4 effective date; to repeal conflicting laws; and for other purposes.

5 BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF GEORGIA:

6 **SECTION 1.**

7 Article 1 of Chapter 3 of Title 3 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to
8 regulation of alcoholic beverages in general, is amended by adding new Code Section 3-3-2.2
9 to read as follows:

10 "3-3-2.2.

11 Notwithstanding the limitations imposed by subparagraph (a)(2)(C) of Code Section
12 36-35-6 or any other provision of general law, the maximum fine for violations of local
13 alcoholic beverage licensing ordinances referenced in Code Section 3-3-2 shall be
14 \$2,500.00."

15 **SECTION 2.**

16 This Act shall become effective on July 1, 2006.

17 **SECTION 3.**

18 All laws and parts of laws in conflict with this Act are repealed.