

House Bill 953 (AM)

By: Representatives Chambers of the 81st, Geisinger of the 48th, Day of the 163rd, and Bearden of the 68th

A BILL TO BE ENTITLED
AN ACT

1 To amend Code Section 45-9-81 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to
2 definitions relative to the Georgia State Indemnification Fund, so as to change the definition
3 of law enforcement officer; to repeal conflicting laws; and for other purposes.

4 BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF GEORGIA:

5 style="text-align:center">**SECTION 1.**

6 Code Section 45-9-81 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to definitions
7 relative to the Georgia State Indemnification Fund, is amended by striking paragraph (6) and
8 inserting in lieu thereof the following:

9 "(6) 'Law enforcement officer' means any agent or officer of this state, ~~or~~ a political
10 subdivision or municipality thereof, or an authority or instrumentality of this state or a
11 political subdivision thereof who, as a full-time or part-time employee, is enrolled in a
12 basic training course for purposes of Code Section 35-8-9 in a school certified by the
13 Georgia Peace Officer Standards and Training Council or is vested either expressly by
14 law or by virtue of public employment or service with authority to enforce the criminal
15 or traffic laws and whose duties include the preservation of public order, the protection
16 of life and property, or the prevention, detection, or investigation of crime. Such term also
17 includes the employees designated by the commissioner of juvenile justice of the
18 Department of Juvenile Justice pursuant to paragraph (2) of subsection (i) of Code
19 Section 49-4A-8, which employees have the duty to investigate and apprehend delinquent
20 and unruly children who have escaped from a facility under the jurisdiction of the
21 Department of Juvenile Justice or who have broken the conditions of supervision. Such
22 term also includes members of the Georgia National Guard, the composition of which is
23 set forth in Code Section 38-2-3, who have been called into active state service by the
24 Governor."

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SECTION 2.

2 All laws and parts of laws in conflict with this Act are repealed.