

Senate Bill 419

By: Senators Harp of the 29th, Hudgens of the 47th, Shafer of the 48th, Tolleson of the 20th and Bulloch of the 11th

AS PASSED

A BILL TO BE ENTITLED
AN ACT

1 To amend Article 2 of Chapter 27 of Title 50 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated,
2 relating to setoff of debt collection against lottery prizes, so as to provide a method to recover
3 delinquent child support payments from certain lottery proceeds; to change certain provisions
4 relating to said article; to provide for applicability and an effective date; to repeal conflicting
5 laws; and for other purposes.

6 BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF GEORGIA:

7 **SECTION 1.**

8 Article 2 of Chapter 27 of Title 50 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to
9 setoff of debt collection against lottery prizes, is amended by striking Code Section 50-27-55,
10 relating to applicability of article to prizes of \$5,000.00 or more, and inserting in its place a
11 new Code Section 50-27-55 to read as follows:

12 "50-27-55.

13 The provisions of this article shall only apply to prizes of \$5,000.00 or more and shall not
14 apply to any retailers authorized by the board to pay prizes of up to \$5,000.00 after
15 deducting the price of the ticket or share; excepting that a claim for delinquent child
16 support filed by the Child Support Enforcement Agency of the Department of Human
17 Resources shall apply to all prizes of \$2,500.00 or more."

18 **SECTION 2.**

19 This Act shall become effective on July 1, 2006, and shall apply to prizes awarded on or after
20 that date.

21 **SECTION 3.**

22 All laws and parts of laws in conflict with this Act are repealed.