

House Bill 121

By: Representatives Willard of the 49<sup>th</sup>, Lane of the 167<sup>th</sup>, Hatfield of the 177<sup>th</sup>, Bruce of the 64<sup>th</sup>, Mills of the 25<sup>th</sup>, and others

A BILL TO BE ENTITLED  
AN ACT

1 To amend Article 2 of Chapter 4 of Title 18 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated,  
2 relating to property and persons subject to garnishment, so as to change certain provisions  
3 relating to service of summons of garnishment upon corporations; to provide for related  
4 matters; to repeal conflicting laws; and for other purposes.

5 BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF GEORGIA:

6 **SECTION 1.**

7 Article 2 of Chapter 4 of Title 18 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to  
8 property and persons subject to garnishment, is amended by revising Code Section 18-4-23,  
9 relating to service of summons of garnishment upon corporations, as follows:

10 "18-4-23.

11 (a) Service of a summons of continuing garnishment shall be made by serving the agent  
12 in charge of the office or other place of business where the defendant is employed. In the  
13 event that such service cannot be made, then service of a summons of continuing  
14 garnishment upon the agent in charge of either the registered office or the principal place  
15 of business of a corporation shall be sufficient made.

16 (b) Service of a summons of garnishment that is noncontinuing shall be made by serving  
17 a summons of garnishment upon the agent in charge of either the registered office or the  
18 principal place of business of a corporation.

19 (c) The methods of service provided for in this Code section shall be the only means  
20 available for service of a summons of continuing garnishment or service of a summons of  
21 garnishment that is noncontinuing upon a corporation incorporated or domesticated under  
22 the laws of this state or a foreign corporation authorized to transact business in this state."

23 **SECTION 2.**

24 All laws and parts of laws in conflict with this Act are repealed.