

House Bill 181

By: Representatives Jacobs of the 80th, Millar of the 79th, Chambers of the 81st, Levitas of the 82nd, Oliver of the 83rd, and others

A BILL TO BE ENTITLED
AN ACT

1 To amend Chapter 75 of Title 36 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to war
2 on terrorism local assistance, so as to provide for limitations with respect to the creation,
3 activation, and activities of public safety and judicial facilities authorities and joint public
4 safety and judicial facilities authorities; to provide for legislative intent; to provide an
5 effective date; to repeal conflicting laws; and for other purposes.

6 BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF GEORGIA:

7 **SECTION 1.**

8 Chapter 75 of Title 36 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to war on
9 terrorism local assistance, is amended by adding a new Code section to read as follows:

10 "36-75-11.

11 (a) The General Assembly finds that the funding of public safety and judicial facilities
12 projects is accomplished in a more accountable and responsible manner through the
13 issuance of general obligation bonds approved by the voters of affected local tax
14 jurisdictions.

15 (b) On or after the effective date of this Code section, no county or municipality shall be
16 authorized to activate or otherwise declare by proper ordinance or resolution the need for
17 a public safety and judicial facilities authority or a joint public safety and judicial facilities
18 authority.

19 (c) On or after the effective date of this Code section, any public safety and judicial
20 facilities authority or joint public safety and judicial facilities authority created and
21 activated under Code Section 36-75-4 which has not incurred bonded indebtedness shall
22 be expressly prohibited from incurring bonded indebtedness.

23 (d) On or after the effective date of this Code section, any public safety and judicial
24 facilities authority or joint public safety and judicial facilities authority created and
25 activated under Code Section 36-75-4 which has incurred bonded indebtedness shall be
26 expressly prohibited from incurring further bonded indebtedness."

1 **SECTION 2.**

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

4 **SECTION 3.**

5 All laws and parts of laws in conflict with this Act are repealed.