

Senate Bill 121

By: Senators Whitehead, Sr. of the 24th, Grant of the 25th, Thomas of the 54th and Bulloch of the 11th

A BILL TO BE ENTITLED
AN ACT

1 To amend Code Section 50-16-41 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to
2 rental agreements without competitive bidding, so as to modify certain exceptions to the
3 State Properties Commission's authority to manage administrative space; to provide an
4 effective date; to repeal conflicting laws; and for other purposes.

5 BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF GEORGIA:

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

7 Code Section 50-16-41 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to rental
8 agreements without competitive bidding, is amended by revising subsection (b) as follows:
9 "(b) The commission is given the authority and charged with the duty of managing the
10 utilization of administrative space by all state entities, except that the Board of Regents of
11 the University System of Georgia ~~and the Georgia Department of Labor~~ may manage ~~their~~
12 its own space but only for leases that are within the State of Georgia and required for ~~their~~
13 its core mission. The commission shall manage in a manner that is the most cost efficient
14 and operationally effective and which provides decentralization of state government. Such
15 management shall include the authority to assign and reassign administrative space to state
16 entities based on the needs of the entities as determined by standards for administrative
17 space utilization promulgated by the commission pursuant to subsection (g) of this Code
18 section and shall include the obligation to advise the Office of Planning and Budget and
19 state entities of cost-effective, decentralized alternatives."

20 style="text-align:center">**SECTION 2.**

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

23 style="text-align:center">**SECTION 3.**

24 All laws and parts of laws in conflict with this Act are repealed.