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Senate Bill 238

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By: Senator Meyer von Bremen of the 12th

A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT

- 1 To amend Code Section 16-10-94 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to
- 2 tampering with evidence, so as to remove the requirement that such offense involve another
- 3 person; to provide for related matters; to repeal conflicting laws; and for other purposes.

BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF GEORGIA:

5 SECTION 1.

- 6 Code Section 16-10-94 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to tampering with
- 7 evidence, is amended by revising subsection (c) as follows:
- 8 "(c) Except as otherwise provided in this subsection, any person who violates subsection
- 9 (a) of this Code section involving the prosecution or defense of a felony and involving
- another person shall be guilty of a felony and, upon conviction thereof, shall be punished
- by imprisonment for not less than one nor more than three years; provided, however, that
- any person who violates subsection (a) of this Code section involving the prosecution or
- defense of a serious violent felony as defined in subsection (a) of Code Section 17-10-6.1
- and involving another person shall be guilty of a felony and, upon conviction thereof, shall
- be punished by imprisonment for not less than one nor more than ten years. Except as
- otherwise provided in this subsection, any person who violates subsection (a) of this Code
- section involving the prosecution or defense of a misdemeanor shall be guilty of a
- 18 misdemeanor."

19 SECTION 2.

20 All laws and parts of laws in conflict with this Act are repealed.