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Senate Bill 106

By: Senators Hamrick of the 30th, Harp of the 29th, Carter of the 13th, Reed of the 35th and Tolleson of the 20th

AS PASSED SENATE

A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT

- 1 To amend Part 1 of Article 4 of Chapter 6 of Title 17 of the Official Code of Georgia
- Annotated, relating to bonds for good behavior, so as to extend the period for which the court 2
- 3 may require a bond with a surety for good behavior; to repeal conflicting laws; and for other
- 4 purposes.

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BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF GEORGIA: 5

6 **SECTION 1.**

- 7 Part 1 of Article 4 of Chapter 6 of Title 17 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated,
- 8 relating to bonds for good behavior, is amended by revising subsection (a) of Code Section
- 9 17-6-90, relating to the requirement of a bond upon the return of a warrant, as follows:
- 10 "(a) Any judicial officer authorized to hold a court of inquiry may, upon the information
- 11 of others under oath or upon his or her own motion, issue a warrant against any person in
- 12 the county whose conduct is such as to justify the belief that the safety of any one or more
- 13 persons in the county or the peace or property of the same is in danger of being injured or
- 14 disturbed thereby. Upon the return of the warrant and upon sufficient cause being shown,
- 15 the court may require from the person a bond with sureties for his such person's good
- behavior until the next term of the superior court of the county or for a period of 60 days 16
- 17 up to six months, whichever is greater. Any person against whom a warrant issues must,
- within 24 hours, be brought for a hearing before the court which issued the warrant or be released on bond by the sheriff, the amount and reasonable conditions of such bond to be 19
- 20 set by the court which issued the warrant."
- 21 **SECTION 2.**
- All laws and parts of laws in conflict with this Act are repealed. 22