

The House Committee on State Institutions and Property offers the following substitute to SB 48:

A BILL TO BE ENTITLED
AN ACT

1 To amend Article 3 of Chapter 5 of Title 42 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated,
2 relating to conditions of detention generally, so as to change certain provisions relating to
3 transmittal of information on convicted persons and place of detention; to change the
4 provision that allows convicted persons to remain in local jails under certain circumstances;
5 to require that inmates discharged by department or county correctional institutions be
6 provided a state issued personal identification card; to provide for related matters; to repeal
7 conflicting laws; and for other purposes.

8 BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF GEORGIA:

9 **SECTION 1.**

10 Article 3 of Chapter 5 of Title 42 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to
11 conditions of detention generally, is amended by revising Code Section 42-5-50, relating to
12 transmittal of information on convicted persons and place of detention, as follows:

13 "42-5-50.

14 (a) The clerk of the court shall notify the commissioner of a sentence within 30 working
15 days following the receipt of the sentence and send other documents set forth in this Code
16 section. Such notice shall be mailed within such time period by first-class mail and shall
17 be accompanied by two complete and certified sentence packages containing the following
18 documents:

19 (1) A certified copy of the sentence;

20 (2) A complete history of the convicted person, including a certified copy of the
21 indictment, accusation, or both and such other information as the commissioner may
22 require;

23 (3) An affidavit of the custodian of such person indicating the total number of days the
24 convicted person was incarcerated prior to the imposition of the sentence. It shall be the
25 duty of the custodian of such person to transmit the affidavit provided for in this

1 paragraph to the clerk of the superior court within ten days following the date on which
2 the sentence is imposed;

3 (4) Order of probation revocation or tolling of probation; and

4 (5) A copy of the sentencing information report is required in all jurisdictions with an
5 options system day reporting center certified by the Department of Corrections. The
6 failure to provide the sentencing information report shall not cause an increase in the 15
7 day time period for the department to assign the inmate to a correctional institution as set
8 forth in subsection (b) of this Code ~~Section~~ section.

9 ~~All of the aforementioned~~ Such documents ~~will~~ shall be submitted on forms provided by
10 the commissioner. The commissioner shall file one copy of each such document with the
11 State Board of Pardons and Paroles within 30 working days of receipt of such documents
12 from the clerk of the court. Except where the clerk is on a salary, the clerk shall receive
13 from funds of the county the fee prescribed in Code Section 15-6-77 for such service.

14 ~~(b) Except as otherwise provided in subsection (c) of this Code section, within~~ Within 15
15 days after the receipt of the information provided for in subsection (a) of this Code section,
16 the commissioner shall assign the convicted person to a correctional institution designated
17 by ~~him~~ the commissioner in accordance with subsection (b) of Code Section 42-5-51. It
18 shall be the financial responsibility of the correctional institution to provide for the picking
19 up and transportation, under guard, of the inmate to ~~his~~ the inmate's assigned place of
20 detention. If the inmate is assigned to a county correctional institution or other county
21 facility, the county shall assume such duty and responsibility.

22 ~~(c) In the event that the attorney for the convicted person shall file a written request with~~
23 ~~the court setting forth that the presence of the convicted person is required within the~~
24 ~~county of the conviction, or incarceration, in order to prepare and prosecute properly the~~
25 ~~appeal of the conviction, the convicted person shall not be transferred to the correctional~~
26 ~~institution as provided in subsection (b) of this Code section. In such event the convicted~~
27 ~~person shall remain in the custody of the local jail or lockup until all appeals of the~~
28 ~~conviction shall be disposed of or until the attorney of record for the convicted person shall~~
29 ~~file with the trial court an affidavit setting forth that the presence of the convicted person~~
30 ~~is no longer required within the county in which the conviction occurred, or in which the~~
31 ~~convicted person is incarcerated, whichever event shall first occur.~~

32 ~~(d) The department shall not be required to assume the custody of those inmates who have~~
33 ~~been convicted and sentenced prior to January 1, 1983, and because their conviction is~~
34 ~~under appeal have not been transferred to the custody of the department, until July 1, 1983.~~
35 The state shall pay for each such inmate not transferred to the custody of the department
36 from a county facility the per diem rate specified by subsection (c) of Code Section 42-5-51

1 for each day the inmate remains in the custody of the county after the department receives
 2 the notice provided by subsection (a) of this Code section ~~on or after January 1, 1983.~~
 3 ~~(e)~~(d) In the event that the convicted person is free on bond pending the appeal of his or
 4 her conviction, the notice provided for in subsection (a) of this Code section shall not be
 5 transmitted to the commissioner until all appeals of such conviction have been disposed of
 6 or until the bond shall be revoked."

7 **SECTION 2.**

8 Said article is further amended by revising subsection (a) of Code Section 42-5-61, relating
 9 to services and benefits to be furnished inmates discharged by department or county
 10 correctional institutions, as follows:

11 "(a) Except as otherwise provided in this Code section, whenever an inmate is discharged
 12 upon pardon or completion of his sentence or is conditionally released or paroled from any
 13 place of detention to which he has been assigned under the authority of the department, the
 14 department shall provide the inmate the following:

- 15 (1) Transportation to the inmate's home within the United States or to a place chosen by
 16 the inmate and authorized by regulations of the board;
 17 (2) An amount of money of not less than \$25.00 and not more than \$150.00, as
 18 determined according to regulations of the board; ~~and~~
 19 (3) A travel kit, when appropriate, and suitable clothing, each as provided by regulation
 20 of the board; and
 21 (4) A personal identification card, at no charge to the inmate, similar to the identification
 22 card authorized under Code Section 40-5-100."

23 **SECTION 3.**

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