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House Bill 782 (AS PASSED HOUSE AND SENATE)

By: Representatives Ralston of the 7th and Graves of the 12th

A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT

- 1 To provide that investigators appointed to assist the district attorney of the Appalachian
- 2 Judicial Circuit may be authorized by the district attorney to make arrests; to provide a
- 3 procedure for such written authorization; to provide for related matters; to repeal conflicting
- 4 laws; and for other purposes.

5 BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF GEORGIA:

6 SECTION 1.

- 7 (a) Subject to meeting the qualifications required by Code Section 15-18-14.1 of the Official
- 8 Code of Georgia Annotated, any investigator appointed by the district attorney of the
- 9 Appalachian Judicial Circuit may be authorized to make arrests, to execute and return all
- 10 criminal warrants and processes, and to serve as a peace officer.
- 11 (b) The authorization of any action listed in subsection (a) of this section by any such
- 12 investigator shall be in writing and signed by the district attorney, and filed with each
- 13 superior court clerk in the circuit.
- 14 (c) Any investigator appointed by the district attorney of the Appalachian Judicial Circuit
- shall be subject to the requirements of Chapter 8 of Title 35, the "Georgia Peace Officer
- 16 Standards and Training Act," and Code Section 15-18-21.

17 SECTION 2.

18 All laws and parts of laws in conflict with this Act are repealed.