

The House Committee on Regulated Industries offers the following substitute to HB 930:

A BILL TO BE ENTITLED
AN ACT

1 To amend Chapter 12 of Title 43 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to
2 disabled veterans and blind persons engaging in peddling, operating businesses, or practicing
3 professions, so as to provide that a certificate of eligibility shall be valid for a period of ten
4 years; to repeal conflicting laws; and for other purposes.

5 BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF GEORGIA:

6 **SECTION 1.**

7 Chapter 12 of Title 43 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to disabled
8 veterans and blind persons engaging in peddling, operating businesses, or practicing
9 professions, is amended by revising Code Section 43-12-3 as follows:

10 "43-12-3.

11 All persons within the groups enumerated in Code Section 43-12-1 seeking a certificate of
12 exemption from the payment of occupation taxes, administrative fees, or regulatory fees
13 for peddling, conducting a business, or practicing a profession or semiprofession must first
14 make application to the judge of the probate court of the county in which he or she resides
15 for a certificate of eligibility. Each applicant shall make an affidavit before the judge of the
16 probate court that he or she is not subject to payment of any income taxes to this state.
17 Upon receipt of the evidence required in Code Section 43-12-2 and the execution of the
18 affidavit required by this Code section, the judge of the probate court shall issue a
19 certificate of eligibility stating that the applicant has furnished the proof required for the
20 issuance of a certificate of exemption required by the commissioner of veterans service.
21 Such certificate of eligibility shall be valid for ten years from the date of issue."

22 **SECTION 2.**

23 All laws and parts of laws in conflict with this Act are repealed.