

The House Committee on Judiciary Non-civil offers the following substitute to HB 1287:

A BILL TO BE ENTITLED
AN ACT

1 To establish the "Prevention of Online Child Predators Act"; to amend Code Section 42-1-12
2 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to the State Sexual Offender Registry,
3 so as to require registered sexual offenders to provide additional information as a part of the
4 required registration information; to provide for definitions; to provide an effective date; to
5 repeal conflicting laws; and for other purposes.

6 BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF GEORGIA:

7 **SECTION 1.**

8 This Act shall be known and may be cited as the 'Prevention of Online Child Predators Act.'

9 **SECTION 2.**

10 Code Section 42-1-12 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to the State Sexual
11 Offender Registry, is amended by revising subsection (a) of Code Section 42-1-12, by adding
12 two new paragraphs to read as follows:

13 "(11.1) 'Interactive online forums' means a website used for the purpose of
14 communicating, chatting, instant messaging, social networking, or establishing personal
15 relationships with other users."

16 "(23) 'Username' means a string of characters chosen to uniquely identify an individual
17 who uses a computer or other device with Internet capability to communicate with other
18 individuals through the exchange of e-mail or instant messages or by participating in
19 interactive online forums."

20 **SECTION 3.**

21 Said Code section is further amended by revising subparagraphs (a)(16)(J) and (a)(16)(K)
22 as follows:

