

The House Committee on Judiciary offers the following substitute to HB 1236:

A BILL TO BE ENTITLED
AN ACT

To amend Article 2 of Chapter 18 of Title 50 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to court reports, so as to change provisions relating to the procedure for distribution of court reports and discontinuance and resumption of distribution; to reduce the number of reports that the reporter has to distribute; to provide for related matters; to repeal conflicting laws; and for other purposes.

BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF GEORGIA:

SECTION 1.

Article 2 of Chapter 18 of Title 50 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to court reports, is amended by revising Code Section 50-18-31, relating to the procedure for distribution of court reports and discontinuance and resumption of distribution, as follows:

"50-18-31.

The reporter shall make distribution of the reports which shall be handled in accordance with this Code section:

(1) The reporter shall place all orders for the reports with the publisher. ~~At any time the state librarian adds or eliminates a particular exchange point or determines that the number of copies of either of the reports needs to be changed, he or she shall notify the reporter of this fact in writing, and the reporter shall adjust his or her orders for new reports accordingly;~~

(2) All volumes distributed within this state to the state or to any of its subordinate departments, agencies, or political subdivisions, or to public officers or public employees within the state, ~~other than to the state librarian for exchange purposes,~~ shall be the property of the appropriate public officer or employee during his or her term of office or employment and shall be turned over to his or her successor; and the reporter shall take and retain a receipt from each such public officer or employee acknowledging this fact. ~~Volumes distributed to the state librarian for exchange purposes, but handled for delivery to exchangees by the reporter on behalf and in the name of the state library, shall become~~

~~the property of the recipient.~~ The reporter shall at all times use the most economical method of shipment consistent with the safety and security of the volumes; and

(3) The reporter shall make distributions of the reports in accordance with the following:

Archives, State one copy

~~Commissioner of Insurance~~ ~~one copy~~

Court of Appeals of Georgia 23 copies

~~(which number may be increased upon written order from the Chief Judge to the reporter)~~

Executive Department one copy

~~Georgia Institute of Technology~~ ~~one copy~~

~~Georgia State University~~ ~~one copy~~

~~Historical Society, Georgia~~ ~~one copy~~

~~Human Resources, Department of~~ ~~one copy~~

House Judiciary Committee one copy

~~Labor, Department of~~ ~~one copy~~

Law, Department of six copies

~~(which number may be increased upon written order from the Attorney General)~~

Legislative Counsel one copy

~~(which number may be increased upon written order of the Legislative Counsel)~~

~~Library, State~~

~~Exchange Program:~~

~~Each foreign government authority participating~~ ~~one copy~~

~~Each state participating~~ ~~one copy~~

~~Shelving~~ ~~two copies~~

~~Newly created superior court circuits or judgeships~~ ~~as appropriate~~

~~Whenever a new superior court circuit or a new judgeship within a circuit shall be created, if the officer entitled to reports shall notify the reporter in writing of his or her assumption of office, the reporter shall add his or her position to those to receive reports and shall supply him or her with all earlier volumes.~~

Judge of the Probate Court (each county) one copy

60 Each probate court shall place a written order with the reporter on or
 61 before October 1. A written order from a probate court shall remain in
 62 effect until changed by a subsequent written order. The reporter shall
 63 not provide reports to any probate court without a written order.
 64 Public Service Commission one copy
 65 Recipients not named herein but named on the librarian's distribution list
 66 as of the date of his or her last distribution of the reports next preceding
 67 April 18, 1975 (each) one copy
 68 ~~The reporter is authorized to add such names, in whole or in part, to his~~
 69 ~~or her listing of distributees to receive future reports.~~
 70 Reporter
 71 Assistant reporter's desk one copy
 72 Copyright three copies
 73 Reporter's clerical staff one copy
 74 Reporter's desk one copy
 75 Secretary of State one copy
 76 Senate Judiciary Committee one copy
 77 Special or emergency circumstances as appropriate
 78 ~~When it shall appear to the reporter that a worthy state purpose will be~~
 79 ~~served thereby, he or she may add agencies or officers to the list of~~
 80 ~~recipients of reports, provided that no courts or agencies of a local~~
 81 ~~nature shall be added to the list.~~
 82 Superior Courts
 83 Clerks (each) one copy
 84 District Attorneys (each) one copy
 85 Judges (each) one copy
 86 Each superior court judge shall place a written order with the reporter
 87 on or before October 1. A written order from a superior court judge
 88 shall remain in effect until changed by a subsequent written order.
 89 The reporter shall not provide reports to any superior court judge court
 90 without a written order.
 91 Supreme Court of Georgia 18 copies
 92 ~~(which number may be increased upon written order from the Chief~~
 93 ~~Justice to the reporter)~~
 94 United States Courts

