

The House Committee on Motor Vehicles offers the following substitute to SB 287:

A BILL TO BE ENTITLED
AN ACT

1 To amend Code Section 40-5-31 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to
2 replacement permits or licenses, so as to provide that when a person reports that his or her
3 instructional permit or driver's license has been lost, stolen, or forged, the department shall
4 charge a fee for a replacement permit or license; to provide that the department shall offer
5 such license or permit holder the option of being issued a replacement permit or license with
6 a new number; to provide that the replaced number of the lost, stolen, or forged permit or
7 license shall be either removed from the data base of valid permits and licenses or the
8 number in the data base shall be marked as having been reported as lost, stolen, or forged and
9 no longer valid; to provide for related matters; to repeal conflicting laws; and for other
10 purposes.

11 BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF GEORGIA:

12 style="text-align:center">**SECTION 1.**

13 Code Section 40-5-31 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to replacement
14 permits or licenses, is amended by revising subsection (a) and adding a new subsection to
15 read as follows:

16 "(a) In the event that an instruction permit or a driver's license issued under this chapter
17 is lost or destroyed, the person to whom the same was issued may upon payment of the
18 required fee and upon furnishing proof satisfactory to the department that such permit has
19 been lost or destroyed:

- 20 (1) Obtain a new permit or license; or
21 (2) Obtain a replacement permit or license.

22 A new permit obtained under this Code section shall be obtained in the same manner and
23 under the same conditions and limitations as provided in Code Section 40-5-24. A new
24 license obtained under this Code section shall be obtained in the same manner and under
25 the same conditions and limitations as provided in Code Section 40-5-32, relating to
26 renewals of licenses. A first replacement permit or license obtained under this Code

27 section shall be issued only for the remaining period for which the original permit or
28 license was issued for a fee of \$5.00, and no examination or eyesight test shall be required
29 to obtain such replacement permit. All subsequent replacement permits or licenses
30 obtained under this Code section shall be issued only for the remaining period for which
31 the original permit or license was issued for a fee of \$10.00, and no examination or
32 eyesight test shall be required to obtain such replacement permit."

33 "(e) When a person to whom an instruction permit or driver's license has been issued
34 reports to the department that such instruction permit or driver's license has been lost,
35 stolen, or forged and requests a replacement permit or license, pays the required fee, and
36 provides proof sufficient to the department that such permit or license has been lost, stolen,
37 or forged, the department shall offer to issue a replacement permit or license as provided
38 in this Code section with a new number. If the holder of the license or permit elects to
39 have the department issue a replacement driver's license or permit with a new number, the
40 department shall either remove the previous permit or license number from the data base
41 of valid permits and licenses maintained by the department or indicate in the data base that
42 the permit or license associated with such number has been reported as lost, stolen, or
43 forged and is no longer active or valid."

44 **SECTION 2.**

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