The House Committee on Judiciary offers the following substitute to SB 388:

A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT

1 To amend Code Section 28-4-3 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to the 2 Office of Legislative Counsel, creation, qualifications, and powers and duties, so as to repeal 3 certain requirements relative to softbound volumes of the Georgia Laws; to amend Article 2 4 of Chapter 13 of Title 45 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to powers and 5 duties of the Secretary of State generally, so as to change certain provisions relative to the distribution of the Georgia Laws and journals of the House of Representatives and the 6 7 Senate; to provide that the Secretary shall be responsible for pricing; to provide for the 8 provision of Acts requiring referenda to local officials; to amend Chapter 18 of Title 50 of 9 the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to state printing and documents, so as to 10 provide that in general when any state law authorizes or directs a state officer or agency to publish any matter, such publication may be made in printed or electronic format; to provide 11 12 a preference for electronic format; to provide for definitions; to provide for exceptions; to 13 remove the requirement of publishing a volume of rules from the definition of reports; to 14 provide for the maintenance of a rules compilation; to change provisions relating to the 15 procedure for distribution of court reports and discontinuance and resumption of distribution; 16 to reduce the number of reports that the reporter has to distribute; to provide for conforming 17 amendments to numerous specific provisions of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated 18 relating to publication of particular matters so as to authorize print or electronic publication; 19 to provide for related matters; to provide for an effective date; to repeal conflicting laws; and 20 for other purposes.

BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF GEORGIA:

SECTION 1.

- 23 Code Section 28-4-3 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to the Office of
- 24 Legislative Counsel, creation, qualifications, and powers and duties, is amended by revising
- 25 subsection (e) as follows:

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"(e) The legislative counsel shall provide for the compiling, indexing, editing, and publication of the Georgia Laws containing the Acts and resolutions of the General Assembly and other appropriate materials. Except as otherwise provided in this subsection authorized in Code Section 50-18-2, such Acts and resolutions shall be published in hardbound volumes suitable for retention as permanent records as well as in softbound volumes or pamphlets suitable for prompt distribution of newly enacted laws to public officers, attorneys, and the public; and following each session of the General Assembly, a copy of such softbound Georgia Laws shall be furnished to the clerk of superior court of each county within 30 days after the last date on which the Governor may approve or veto bills enacted at that session of the General Assembly. In the case of any special session of the General Assembly, however, the separate publication and distribution of the Acts and resolutions enacted at that special session may be omitted, and in such case the Acts and resolutions enacted at the special session shall be published and distributed together with those enacted at the subsequent regular session. Distribution of the Georgia Laws shall be carried out by the Secretary of State as provided for in Code Section 45-13-22; and the Secretary of State shall notify the legislative counsel of the numbers of volumes required to carry out such distribution."

43 SECTION 2.

44 Article 2 of Chapter 13 of Title 45 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to

45 powers and duties of the Secretary of State generally, is amended by revising Code Section

46 45-13-22, relating to the distribution of Georgia Laws and journals of the House of

47 Representatives and the Senate, as follows:

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49 (a) It shall be the duty of the Secretary of State to distribute the Acts and resolutions of the

General Assembly of Georgia. The Secretary of State shall notify the legislative counsel

of the numbers distribution requirements of soft-bound electronic version and hard-bound

52 <u>volumes of Georgia Laws needed for distribution</u>. Hard-bound and soft-bound volumes

shall be distributed as provided in this Code section. The Secretary of State shall make

distribution of the <u>electronic version and</u> bound volumes of the journals of the House and

Senate. The Secretary of State shall notify the Clerk of the House and the Secretary of the

Senate of the numbers of journals needed for distribution. Distribution shall be as provided

in this Code section.

58 (b) Volumes distributed to members of the General Assembly, to libraries, to institutions

of learning, or to agencies outside the State of Georgia shall become the property of the

recipient. 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 to public employees

within the state, other than members of the General Assembly, shall be the property of the 62 63 appropriate public officer or employee during his term of office or employment and shall 64 be turned over to his or her successor, and the Secretary of State shall take and retain a receipt from each such public officer or employee acknowledging this fact. The Secretary 65 of State shall at all times use the most economical method of shipment consistent with the 66 safety and security of the volumes. The Secretary of State shall make the distributions 67 provided for in this Code section. Additional copies of the hard-bound volumes and 68 69 soft-bound volumes of the Georgia Laws and of the House and Senate Journals may be sold 70 by the Secretary of State to persons desiring to purchase the same. The prices at which such volumes are to be sold shall be determined by the Legislative Counsel for the Georgia 71 72 Laws, by the Secretary of the Senate for the Senate Journals, and by the Clerk of the House 73 of Representatives for the House Journals Secretary of State. In determining such prices such officers the Secretary of State shall take into account the approximate cost to the state 74 75 of producing such volumes and the usual and customary cost of comparable publications. Receipts from such sales shall be deposited by the Secretary of State into the general fund 76 77 of the state treasury.

- 78 (c) Each of the officers, offices, and other entities listed in this subsection shall be
- 79 authorized to order up to the indicated numbers of sets of the Georgia Laws from each
- legislative session. Unless otherwise specified by the ordering party, each set ordered shall 80
- 81 include both the soft-bound and hard-bound volumes, but the ordering party may specify
- 82 that an order shall omit either. The numbers of sets authorized for each such officer, office,
- 83 and entity shall be as follows:
- 84 (1) Law Department — 33 sets, which number may be increased by written order of the
- 85 Attorney General;
- 86 (2) Each state agency or department — one set;
- 87 (3) Each foreign government authority and each state participating in an exchange and
- depository program one set; 88
- (4) Library of Congress two sets one set; 89
- 90 (5) Georgia Institute of Technology — one set;
- 91 (6)(4) University of Georgia — 52 two sets;
- 92 (7)(5) Supreme Court of Georgia — 12 sets, which number may be increased by written
- 93 order of the Chief Justice;
- 94 (8)(6) Court of Appeals of Georgia — 13 sets, which number may be increased by
- written order of the Chief Judge; 95
- (9)(7) Administrative Office of the Courts one set; 96
- 97 (10)(8) Each superior court judge — one set;
- 98 (11) Each clerk of superior court — one set;

- 99 (12) District Attorney of the Atlanta Judicial Circuit two sets;
- 100 $\frac{(13)(9)}{(13)(9)}$ Each other district attorney one set;
- 101 (14)(10) Each judge of probate court three two sets, of which one set may be retained
- for the judge's own use, <u>and</u> one set may be issued to the county attorney, and one set
- shall be placed in the county law library or retained in the judge's office for use by the
- 104 general public;
- 105 $\frac{(15)(11)}{(15)}$ Each state court one set;
- 106 $\frac{(16)(12)}{(16)(12)}$ Each magistrate court one set;
- 107 (17)(13) United States Supreme Court one set;
- 108 (18)(14) United States Court of Appeals for the Eleventh Circuit one set;
- 109 (19)(15) United States District Courts for the State of Georgia six sets;
- 110 (20)(16) Clerk of the House of Representatives five sets;
- 111 $\frac{(21)(17)}{(21)}$ Each member of the General Assembly one set;
- 112 (22)(18) House Judiciary Committee one set;
- 113 (23)(19) House Majority Leader one set;
- 114 (24)(20) House Minority Leader one set;
- 115 (25)(21) House Budget Office and Senate Budget Office one set each;
- 116 (26)(22) Legislative counsel 15 sets, which number may be increased by written order
- of the legislative counsel;
- 118 $\frac{(27)(23)}{(27)(23)}$ Legislative fiscal officer one set;
- 119 $\frac{(28)(24)}{(24)}$ President of the Senate one set;
- 120 $\frac{(29)(25)}{(25)}$ President pro tempore of the Senate one set;
- 121 $\frac{(30)(26)}{(30)}$ Secretary of the Senate three sets;
- 122 $\frac{(31)(27)}{(31)}$ Speaker of the House one set; and
- 123 (32)(28) Senate Judiciary Committee one set.
- (d) Each of the following officers, offices, and other entities shall be authorized to order
- 125 up to the indicated numbers of the Georgia Senate and House Journals from each
- legislative session; provided, however, that such officers, offices, and entities shall pay the
- 127 <u>Secretary of State the cost of acquisition of such volumes:</u>
- 128 (1) Law Department four sets, which number may be increased by written order of
- the Attorney General;
- 130 (2) Each state agency or department one set;
- 131 (3) State Archives one set;
- 132 (4) Georgia Historical Society two sets;
- 133 (5) Each foreign government and each state participating in an exchange and depository
- program one set;
- 135 (6) Library of Congress two sets;

- 136 (7) Augusta College one set;
- 137 (8) Georgia Institute of Technology one set;
- 138 (9) Georgia State University one set;
- 139 (10) University of Georgia seven sets;
- 140 (11) Department of Administrative Services one set;
- 141 (12) Department of Human Services one set;
- 142 (13) Supreme Court of Georgia as requested in writing by the Chief Justice;
- 143 (14) Court of Appeals of Georgia as requested in writing by the Chief Judge;
- 144 (15) Each judge of probate court one set;
- 145 (16) Legislative counsel five sets;
- 146 (17) Legislative fiscal officer nine sets;
- 147 (18) Each member of the House of Representatives one set;
- 148 (19) Speaker of the House one set;
- 149 (20) Clerk of the House of Representatives three sets;
- 150 (21) House Judiciary Committee one set;
- 151 (22) House Majority Leader one set;
- 152 (23) House Minority Leader one set;
- 153 (24) Each member of the Senate one set;
- 154 (25) President of the Senate one set;
- 155 (26) President pro tempore of the Senate one set;
- 156 (27) Secretary of the Senate three sets; and
- 157 (28) Senate Judiciary Committee one set.
- 158 (e) In the case of newly created courts or judgeships, and in the case of other state
- departments, agencies, and entities needing session laws or journals or both, requests for
- session laws and journals may be filled in whole or in part as the Secretary of State deems
- appropriate; and the Secretary of State may add names to or delete names from the
- distribution lists for the session laws and journals as he <u>or she</u> deems appropriate, except
- that the Secretary of State may not delete those authorized to order sets under subsections
- 164 <u>subsection</u> (c) and (d) of this Code section.
- (f) Each officer, office, or other entity authorized to order Georgia Laws or Georgia Senate
- and House Journals pursuant to subsections subsection (c) and (d) of this Code section shall
- do so by placing such order in writing to the Secretary of State prior to the end of each
- session of the General Assembly. A written order from an officer, office, or other entity
- shall remain in effect until changed by a subsequent written order for two years. The
- 170 Secretary of State shall not provide Georgia Laws or House and Senate Journals to any
- such officer, office, or other entity without a written order. The Secretary of State has no
- obligation to provide Georgia Laws or House or Senate Journals to any such officer, office,

or other entity unless a written order has been placed in accordance with the time frame specified in this subsection.

(g) The Secretary of State shall reserve 30 five copies each of the session laws and of the journals of the House and Senate for three years after their receipt. After three years he or she shall hold in reserve 15 copies one copy of each of the laws and journals. Copies of the laws and journals in excess of the required reserve and not needed for purposes of distribution or exchange may be sold or otherwise disposed of by the Secretary of State.

(h) The Secretary of State shall act as the exchange officer of this state for the purpose of a regular exchange between this state and other states and foreign governments of the session laws and the journals of the House and Senate. To the extent that the Secretary of State deems such exchanges appropriate, if requested by the Attorney General to make

such exchanges, the Secretary of State shall may distribute one set of the session laws and

the journals of the House and Senate to each participating state and foreign government."

SECTION 3.

187 Said article is further amended by revising Code Section 45-13-24, relating to the duty to

mail Acts requiring referenda to local officials, as follows:

189 "45-13-24.

(a) Within one calendar week after any local Act or general Act of local application which requires a local referendum or a special election is approved by the Governor or becomes law without his such approval, it shall be the duty of the Secretary of State to mail provide a copy of the Act, with a certificate showing the date it became law, to the election superintendent and the governing authority of each county or municipality in which it has application.

(b) Within 60 calendar days after any local Act or general Act of local application which requires a local referendum is approved by the Governor or becomes law without such approval, it shall be the duty of the Secretary of State to provide a copy of the Act, with a certificate showing the date it became law, to the election superintendent and the governing authority of each county or municipality in which it has application."

SECTION 4.

202 Chapter 18 of Title 50 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to state printing 203 and documents, is amended by adding a new Code section as follows:

204 "<u>50-18-2.</u>

(a) As used in this Code section, the term:

206 (1) 'State agency' means any department, board, bureau, commission, authority, council,

- 207 <u>or committee or any other state agency or instrumentality of the executive or legislative</u>
- branch of state government.
- 209 (2) 'State officer' means any officer of the executive or legislative branch of state
- 210 government.
- 211 (b) When any other provision of state law authorizes or directs any state officer or state
- 212 agency to publish or provide for publication of any matter, such publication shall be made
- 213 <u>in electronic format unless the state officer or state agency determines that a printed format</u>
- is necessary to achieve the purpose of publication, except that:
- 215 (1) When another provision of state law specifically provides for publication in one or
- 216 more newspapers, publication shall be in the newspaper or newspapers as provided by
- such other provision of law; and
- 218 (2) When any other provision of state law makes specific reference to this Code section
- 219 and requires publication in a specific manner notwithstanding the provisions of this Code
- section, such other provision of law shall control over this Code section.
- (c) Nothing in this Code section shall limit the applicability of Article 4 of this chapter,
- 222 relating to inspection of public records, when said article by its terms is otherwise
- 223 <u>applicable.</u>"
- SECTION 5.
- Said chapter is further amended by revising Code Section 50-18-20, relating to definitions
- 226 pertaining to court reports, as follows:
- 227 "50-18-20.
- As used in this article, the term:
- (1) 'Publisher' means the state publisher of court reports who has been awarded the
- contract as defined in this article.
- (2) 'Reporter' means the reporter of the Supreme Court and Court of Appeals whose
- duties are set forth in Chapter 4 of Title 15.
- 233 (3) 'Reports' means the official reports of the decisions of the Supreme Court or of the
- Court of Appeals, together with the usual title pages, indexes, etc., as well as the advance
- reports of the decisions of each court and a volume.
- 236 (4) 'Rules compilation' means a compilation of rules applicable in the courts of this state.
- The rules volume compilation shall include the Rules of the Supreme Court, the Rules
- of the Court of Appeals, the Unified Appeal, the Uniform Transfer Rules, the Uniform
- Rules for the various classes of courts, the Rules of the Judicial Qualifications
- Commission, the Code of Judicial Conduct, the Bar Admissions Rules, the Rules for
- Sentence Review Panel, the Rules and Regulations for the Organization and Government

of the State Bar of Georgia, and any other rules or amendments as promulgated by the
Supreme Court or the Court of Appeals, together with all applicable forms, title pages,
indexes, etc. The rules volume shall consist of a post binder which will be updated
periodically."

SECTION 6.

Said chapter is further amended by revising Code Section 50-18-26, relating to the content

- 248 and appearance of reports and number of volumes per year, as follows:
- 249 "50-18-26.
- 250 (a) The reports shall contain the decisions rendered in all cases presented to the Supreme
- Court of Georgia and to the Court of Appeals of Georgia, an index of all cases reported,
- 252 the rules and forms described in paragraph (3) of Code Section 50-18-20, and an index of
- all cases reported and all rules reported. No report shall contain any argument or brief of
- counsel beyond a statement of the major points and authorities.
- 255 (b) The reporter has the duty to ascertain that the reports, with the exception of the rules
- 256 volume, are uniform in size and appearance. Whenever it becomes necessary, due to a
- variance in the number of decisions rendered, the reporter, in order to maintain the desired
- uniformity, may provide for the production of more than one volume from either court in
- any one year or may consolidate decisions of either court from two different years into one
- volume, but in no case shall the decisions of the Supreme Court be combined in one
- volume with the decisions of the Court of Appeals."

SECTION 7.

- 263 Said chapter is further amended by revising subsection (a) of Code Section 50-18-27, relating
- 264 to the responsibilities of the reporter, as follows:
- 265 "(a) The reporter shall furnish to the publisher the manuscript of the decisions, rules, and
- 266 forms, read the proof and correct the same, and furnish for each volume an index of the
- 267 cases reported."
- 268 **SECTION 8.**
- 269 Said chapter is further amended by revising Code Section 50-18-31, relating to the procedure
- 270 for distribution of court reports and discontinuance and resumption of distribution, as
- 271 follows:
- 272 "50-18-31.
- 273 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 275 state librarian adds or eliminates a particular exchange point or determines that the 276 277 number of copies of either of the reports needs to be changed, he or she shall notify the 278 reporter of this fact in writing, and the reporter shall adjust his or her orders for new 279 reports accordingly; 280 (2) All volumes distributed within this state to the state or to any of its subordinate 281 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 282 283 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 284 and retain a receipt from each such public officer or employee acknowledging this fact. 285 Volumes distributed to the state librarian for exchange purposes, but handled for delivery 286 to exchangees by the reporter on behalf and in the name of the state library, shall become 287 the property of the recipient. The reporter shall at all times use the most economical 288 289 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: 290 291 Archives, State one copy 292 one copy 293 Court of Appeals of Georgia 23 copies 294 (which number may be increased upon written order from the Chief 295 Judge to the reporter) 296 Executive Department one copy 297 one copy 298 one copy 299 Historical Society, Georgia one copy 300 Human Resources, Department of one copy 301 one copy one copy 302 Labor, Department of 303 Law, Department of six copies 304 (which number may be increased upon written order from the Attorney 305 General) 306 Legislative Counsel one copy 307 (which number may be increased upon written order of the Legislative 308 Counsel)

309	Library, State	
310	Exchange Program:	
311	Each foreign government authority participating	one copy
312	Each state participating	one copy
313	Shelving	two copies
314	Newly created superior court circuits or judgeships as	appropriate
315	Whenever a new superior court circuit or a new judgeship within a	
316	circuit shall be created, if the officer entitled to reports shall notify the	
317	reporter in writing of his or her assumption of office, the reporter shall	
318	add his or her position to those to receive reports and shall supply him	
319	or her with all earlier volumes.	
320	Judge of the Probate Court (each county)	one copy
321	Each probate court shall place a written order with the reporter on or	
322	before October 1. A written order from a probate court shall remain in	
323	effect until changed by a subsequent written order. The reporter shall	
324	not provide reports to any probate court without a written order.	
325	Public Service Commission	one copy
326	Recipients not named herein but named on the librarian's distribution list	
327	as of the date of his or her last distribution of the reports next preceding	
328	April 18, 1975 (each)	one copy
329	The reporter is authorized to add such names, in whole or in part, to his	
330	or her listing of distributees to receive future reports.	
331	Reporter	
332	Assistant reporter's desk	one copy
333	Copyright	three copies
334	Reporter's clerical staff	one copy
335	Reporter's desk	one copy
336	Secretary of State	one copy
337	Senate Judiciary Committee	one copy
338	Special or emergency circumstances as	appropriate
339	When it shall appear to the reporter that a worthy state purpose will be	
340	served thereby, he or she may add agencies or officers to the list of	
341	recipients of reports, provided that no courts or agencies of a local	
342	nature shall be added to the list.	

343	Superior Courts		
344	Clerks (each)	one copy	
345	District Attorneys (each)	one copy	
346	Judges (each)	one copy	
347	Each superior court judge shall place a written order with the reporter		
348	on or before October 1. A written order from a superior court judge		
349	shall remain in effect until changed by a subsequent written order.		
350	The reporter shall not provide reports to any superior court judge court		
351	without a written order.		
352	Supreme Court of Georgia	18 copies	
353	(which number may be increased upon written order from the Chief		
354	Justice to the reporter)		
355	United States Courts		
356	Court of Appeals, Fifth Circuit	one copy	
357	District Courts, Georgia	four copies	
358	University of Georgia Law School Library 2	5 four copies	
359	Workers' Compensation, State Board of	six copies	
360	The reporter may add additional recipients or additional copies to named		
361	recipients upon written order from the Chief Justice of the Supreme Court;		
362	and		
363	(4) Notwithstanding the provisions of paragraph (3) of this Code sect	ion regarding	
364	distribution of reports to superior courts and to judges of the probate courts, the chief		
365	judge of the superior courts of any judicial circuit may, for any county within that circuit		
366	have discontinued or restored the distribution of any of that county's authorized the distribution of any of the distribution of	rized number	
367	of copies of reports, as such judge determines the needs therefor, upon writ	ten request to	
368	the librarian. In any event, at least one copy of each report shall be distri	buted to each	
369	county to be placed in the county law library or, if no such library is main	tained, in the	
370	office of the judge of the probate court for the use of the general public."		
371	SECTION 9.		
372	Said chapter is further amended by adding a new Code section to read as follows:		
373	" <u>50-18-37.</u>		
374	The reporter shall publish a rules compilation in electronic format that is made accessible		
375	to the public through the Internet or other suitable electronic methods and sh	all update the	
376	rules compilation as necessary."		

377 **SECTION 10.**

- 378 Each of the following Code sections and parts of Code sections of the Official Code of
- 379 Georgia Annotated is amended by adding after the word "publish" the words "in print or
- 380 electronically" wherever such word occurs in:
- 381 (1) Subsection (c) of Code Section 2-1-4, relating to anti-siphon devices for irrigation
- 382 systems;
- 383 (2) Code Section 2-5-8, relating to issuance of registrations, licenses, or permits by the
- 384 Department of Agriculture;
- 385 (3) Code Section 2-9-42.1, relating to publication of names and locations of licensed grain
- 386 dealers;
- 387 (4) Paragraph (4) of Code Section 2-10-53, relating to powers and duties of the
- 388 Commissioner of Agriculture relative to farmers' markets;
- 389 (5) Paragraph (5) of Code Section 2-11-25, relating to powers and duties of the
- 390 Commissioner of Agriculture relative to the 'Georgia Seed Law';
- 391 (6) Subsection (a) of Code Section 2-15-12, relating to rules under the 'Georgia Pacific
- 392 White Shrimp Aquaculture Development Act of 2004';
- 393 (7) Subsection (a) of Code Section 3-2-2, relating to promulgation of rules regarding
- 394 alcoholic beverages;
- 395 (8) Code Section 4-4-60, relating to publication of an annual statement regarding
- 396 extermination of the cattle fever tick, screwworm, and other parasites;
- 397 (9) Code Section 7-1-74, relating to publication of the annual report of the Department of
- 398 Banking and Finance;
- 399 (10) Paragraph (2) of Code Section 8-2-161, relating to rules governing the installation of
- 400 certain manufactured homes and mobile homes;
- 401 (11) Paragraph (2) of subsection (d) of Code Section 8-3-206, relating to publication of
- 402 reports regarding the fair housing law;
- 403 (12) Code Section 10-1-187, relating to rules regarding brake fluid;
- 404 (13) Code Section 10-1-206, relating to publication of information regarding antifreeze;
- 405 (14) Code Section 10-4-31, relating to publication of information regarding warehouses;
- 406 (15) Subsection (b) of Code Section 10-5-25, relating to denial of registration of securities
- 407 offerings;
- 408 (16) Paragraph (3) of subsection (a) of Code Section 10-5-71, relating to powers of the
- 409 Secretary of State as Commissioner of Securities;
- 410 (17) Paragraph (3) of subsection (a) of Code Section 10-5A-20, relating to investigations
- 411 regarding commodity contracts and options;
- 412 (18) Code Section 10-10-7, relating to publication of the annual report regarding the state
- 413 Seed-Capital Fund;

414 (19) Subsection (a) of Code Section 11-9-526, relating to rules regarding secured

- 415 transactions filings;
- 416 (20) Paragraph (3) of Code Section 12-3-93, relating to duties of the Department of Natural
- 417 Resources under the 'Georgia Natural Areas Act';
- 418 (21) Paragraph (5) of subsection (a) of Code Section 12-4-1, relating to powers and duties
- 419 of the Environmental Protection Division as to mineral and geological resources;
- 420 (22) Paragraph (7) of subsection (a) of Code Section 12-4-73, relating to powers and duties
- 421 of the Environmental Protection Division as to surface mining;
- 422 (23) Code Section 12-5-1, relating to publication of findings of the Water Resources Center
- 423 of the Georgia Institute of Technology;
- 424 (24) Paragraph (2) of Code Section 12-5-211, relating to powers and duties of the
- 425 Department of Natural Resources with respect to development and utilization of coastal and
- 426 offshore resources;
- 427 (25) Subsection (d) of Code Section 12-5-582, relating to model ordinances for the
- 428 Metropolitan North Georgia Water Planning District;
- 429 (26) Subsection (d) of Code Section 12-5-583, relating to plans for the Metropolitan North
- 430 Georgia Water Planning District;
- 431 (27) Subsection (c) of Code Section 12-5-584, relating to additional plans for the
- 432 Metropolitan North Georgia Water Planning District;
- 433 (28) Paragraph (6) of subsection (a) of Code Section 12-6-5, relating to powers and duties
- 434 of the State Forestry Commission;
- 435 (29) Paragraph (10) of subsection (a) of Code Section 12-8-97, relating to the hazardous site
- 436 inventory under the 'Georgia Hazardous Site Response Act';
- 437 (30) Paragraph (9) of Code Section 15-5-24, relating to powers and duties of the
- 438 Administrative Office of the Courts;
- 439 (31) Subsection (a) of Code Section 15-11-19, relating to the Council of Juvenile Court
- 440 Judges;
- 441 (32) Paragraph (2) of subsection (b) of Code Section 17-12-6, relating to assistance by the
- 442 Georgia Public Defender Standards Council to public defenders;
- 443 (33) Paragraph (6) of subsection (a) of Code Section 19-6-53, relating to powers and duties
- 444 of the Georgia Child Support Commission;
- 445 (34) Subsection (d) of Code Section 20-1A-10, relating to regulation and functioning of
- 446 early care and education programs;
- 447 (35) Paragraph (1) of subsection (e) of Code Section 20-2-161, relating to the Quality Basic
- 448 Education Formula for funding of public schools;
- 449 (36) Subsections (d) and (e) of Code Section 20-2-881, relating to the health insurance plan
- 450 for public school teachers;

451 (37) Subsections (d) and (e) of Code Section 20-2-911, relating to the health insurance plan

- 452 for public school employees;
- 453 (38) Code Section 20-3-241, relating to operations reports by the Georgia Student Finance
- 454 Commission;
- 455 (39) Code Section 20-3-294, relating to operations reports by the Georgia Higher Education
- 456 Assistance Corporation;
- 457 (40) Code Section 20-3-328, relating to operations reports by the Georgia Student Finance
- 458 Authority;
- 459 (41) Paragraph (1) of subsection (c) of Code Section 20-3-423, relating to the selection
- 460 committee for North Georgia College scholarships;
- 461 (42) Paragraphs (3) and (4) of Code Section 21-2-31, relating to duties of the State Election
- 462 Board;
- 463 (43) Paragraphs (2), (6), (13), (19), and (20) of subsection (b) of Code Section 21-5-6,
- 464 relating to powers and duties of the State Ethics Commission;
- 465 (44) Subsection (h) of Code Section 21-5-71, relating to registration and regulation of
- 466 lobbyists;
- 467 (45) Paragraph (7) of subsection (b) of Code Section 26-2-232, relating to powers and duties
- 468 of the Commissioner of Agriculture under the 'Georgia Dairy Act of 1980';
- 469 (46) Paragraph (1) of subsection (e) of Code Section 26-4-29, relating to powers and duties
- 470 of the State Board of Pharmacy;
- 471 (47) Paragraph (6) of Code Section 27-1-6, relating to powers and duties of the Department
- 472 of Natural Resources relative to game and fish;
- 473 (48) Code Section 27-2-41, relating to regulations regarding game and fish licenses, permits,
- 474 and stamps;
- 475 (49) Code Section 27-4-262, relating to rules and regulations regarding aquaculture;
- 476 (50) Code Section 28-5-122, relating to publication of state grant programs;
- 477 (51) Paragraph (6) of subsection (a) of Code Section 31-10-5, relating to powers and duties
- 478 of the state registrar regarding vital records;
- 479 (52) Subsection (h) of Code Section 31-22-2, relating to licensure of clinical laboratories;
- 480 (53) Subsection (a) of Code Section 32-2-41.2, relating to benchmarks and value
- 481 engineering studies of road construction projects;
- 482 (54) Code Section 32-2-66, relating to qualification of transportation contractors;
- 483 (55) Subsection (b) of Code Section 33-21A-4, relating to reimbursement for emergency
- 484 health care services by medicaid care management organizations;
- 485 (56) Paragraph (5) of subsection (a) of Code Section 34-2-6, relating to powers and duties
- 486 of the Commissioner of Labor;

487 (57) Code Section 34-8-76, relating to powers and duties of the Commissioner of Labor with

- 488 respect to prevention and reduction of unemployment;
- 489 (58) Subsection (b) of Code Section 34-9-61, relating to publication of certain materials by
- 490 the State Board of Workers' Compensation;
- 491 (59) Subsection (b) of Code Section 34-9-205, relating to medical fees under the workers'
- 492 compensation law;
- 493 (60) Paragraph (3) of subsection (b) of Code Section 34-11-8, relating to the chief inspector
- 494 of boilers and pressure vessels;
- 495 (61) Paragraph (9) of subsection (a) of Code Section 35-3-33, relating to powers and duties
- 496 of the Georgia Crime Information Center;
- 497 (62) Paragraphs (2) and (4) of Code Section 35-6A-7, relating to functions and authority of
- 498 the Criminal Justice Coordinating Council;
- 499 (63) Subsection (a) of Code Section 37-2-7, relating to formulation and publication of the
- state plan for disability services;
- 501 (64) Subsection (d) of Code Section 37-5-6, relating to plans for providing comprehensive
- 502 community services to developmentally disabled individuals;
- 503 (65) Subsection (d) of Code Section 40-6-315, relating to standards for motorcycle headgear;
- 504 (66) Subsection (b) of Code Section 40-6-352, relating to standards for moped headgear;
- 505 (67) Subsection (d) of Code Section 40-8-78, relating to standards for automotive glazing
- 506 materials;
- 507 (68) Subsection (a) of Code Section 40-16-5, relating to authority of the commissioner of
- 508 driver services;
- 509 (69) Subsection (a) of Code Section 42-2-8, relating to authority of the commissioner of
- 510 corrections;
- 511 (70) Paragraph (9) of Code Section 43-11A-7, relating to powers of the Georgia Board of
- 512 Examiners of Licensed Dietitians;
- 513 (71) Paragraph (3) of subsection (a) and subsection (e) of Code Section 43-17-11, relating
- 514 to enforcement of the law relating to charitable solicitations;
- 515 (72) Paragraph (9) of Code Section 43-33-10, relating to authority of the State Board of
- 516 Physical Therapy;
- 517 (73) Subsection (e) of Code Section 43-41-10, relating to disciplinary actions under the State
- 518 Licensing Board for Residential and General Contractors;
- 519 (74) Paragraph (4) of Code Section 43-47-6, relating to powers and duties of the State Board
- of Registration of Used Motor Vehicle Dealers and Used Motor Vehicle Parts Dealers;
- 521 (75) Code Section 45-6-3, relating to annual reports of public officers of the state;
- 522 (76) Paragraph (5) of subsection (b) of Code Section 45-10-93, relating to powers and duties
- of the Joint Legislative Ethics Committee;

524 (77) Code Section 45-13-27, relating to the Secretary of State's official directory of state and

- 525 county officials and officers;
- 526 (78) Paragraph (6) of Code Section 45-13-41, relating to objects and purposes of the Georgia
- 527 Archives;
- 528 (79) Subsections (d) and (e) of Code Section 45-18-15, relating to administration of the state
- 529 employees' health benefit plan;
- 530 (80) Code Section 45-22-9, relating to publication of lists of hazardous substances under the
- 531 'Public Employee Hazardous Chemical Protection and Right to Know Act of 1988';
- 532 (81) Subsections (a) and (b) of Code Section 48-2-7, relating to powers and duties of the
- state revenue commissioner;
- 534 (82) Subsection (a) of Code Section 48-2-12, relating to rules and regulations of the state
- revenue commissioner;
- 536 (83) Subsection (c) of Code Section 48-5-346, relating to disapproval of county tax digests;
- 537 (84) Paragraph (2) of subsection (b) of Code Section 48-7-112, relating to income tax
- 538 refunds, credits, and setoffs;
- 539 (85) Paragraph (4) of Code Section 49-4-33, relating to duties of the Department of Human
- 540 Services with respect to the Old-Age Assistance Act;
- 541 (86) Paragraph (5) of Code Section 49-4-53, relating to duties of the Department of Human
- 542 Services with respect to the 'Aid to the Blind Act';
- 543 (87) Paragraph (4) of Code Section 49-4-82, relating to duties of the Department of Human
- 544 Services with respect to aid to disabled persons;
- 545 (88) Paragraph (3) of subsection (c) of Code Section 49-4-183, relating to administration of
- 546 the 'Temporary Assistance for Needy Families Act';
- 547 (89) Subsection (n) of Code Section 49-4A-8, relating to commitment of children to the
- 548 custody of the Department of Juvenile Justice;
- 549 (90) Subsection (b) of Code Section 49-5-12, relating to licensing and regulation of child
- welfare agencies;
- 551 (91) Code Section 49-5-19, relating to the annual report on the operations of county
- 552 departments of family and children services;
- 553 (92) Paragraph (4) of subsection (d) of Code Section 49-5-132, relating to the Governor's
- 554 Office for Children and Families;
- 555 (93) Subsection (j) of Code Section 49-5-273, relating to creation and operation of the
- 556 PeachCare program;
- 557 (94) Paragraph (6) of Code Section 49-6-21, relating to powers and duties of the Council on
- 558 Aging;
- 559 (95) Subsection (b) of Code Section 50-5-60.4, relating to use of mulch on public lands;

560 (96) Paragraph (1) of subsection (d) of Code Section 50-5-67, relating to procedures for

- 561 bidding of state contracts;
- 562 (97) Paragraphs (4) and (5) of Code Section 50-7-8, relating to certain powers of the Board
- of Economic Development;
- 564 (98) Paragraph (4) of subsection (b) of Code Section 50-8-7, relating to planning, technical
- assistance, and information activities of the Department of Community Affairs;
- 566 (99) Paragraph (2) of Code Section 50-8-141, relating to functions of the Office of Rural
- 567 Development;
- 568 (100) Code Section 50-12-84, relating to the annual report of the Commission on Women;
- 569 and
- 570 (101) Subsection (a) of Code Section 50-25-7.10, relating to publication of the annual state
- information technology report.
- **SECTION 11.**
- 573 Each of the following Code sections and parts of Code sections of the Official Code of
- 574 Georgia Annotated is amended by inserting immediately before the word "publication" the
- 575 words "print or electronic" wherever such word occurs in:
- 576 (1) Paragraph (2) of Code Section 12-2-3, relating to objectives of the Department of Natural
- 577 Resources;
- 578 (2) Subsection (i) of Code Section 12-2-4, relating to powers and duties of the Department
- 579 of Natural Resources;
- 580 (3) Paragraph (7) of Code Section 12-3-53, relating to the state archeologist;
- 581 (4) Paragraph (19) of Code Section 31-10-1, relating to definitions applicable to vital
- 582 statistics;
- 583 (5) Code Section 31-12A-9, relating to educational programs under the 'Georgia Smokefree
- 584 Air Act of 2005';
- 585 (6) Paragraph (7) of subsection (a) of Code Section 43-50-21, relating to powers and duties
- 586 of the State Board of Veterinary Medicine;
- 587 (7) Subsection (a) of Code Section 45-13-45, relating to powers of the Secretary of State
- with respect to management of the Division of Archives and History;
- 589 (8) Paragraph (2) of subsection (b) of Code Section 48-2-15, relating to confidentiality of
- 590 state tax information;
- 591 (9) Subsection (a) of Code Section 48-7-60, relating to confidentiality of income tax
- 592 information;
- 593 (10) Subsection (e) of Code Section 49-5-220, relating to the State Plan for the Coordinated
- 594 System of Care for severely emotionally disturbed children or adolescents; and

(11) Paragraph (1) of Code Section 49-5-221, relating to definitions applicable to the State
 Plan for the Coordinated System of Care for severely emotionally disturbed children or
 adolescents.

598 **SECTION 12.**

This Act shall become effective upon its approval by the Governor or upon its becoming law without such approval.

SECTION 13.

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