

Senate Bill 38

By: Senator Harp of the 29th

AS PASSED SENATE

A BILL TO BE ENTITLED
AN ACT

1 To amend Article 2 of Chapter 16 of Title 45 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated,
2 relating to death investigations by coroners, so as to provide for the training of canine service
3 dogs for the purpose of body recovery and rescue of persons; to provide for related matters;
4 to repeal conflicting laws; and for other purposes.

5 BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF GEORGIA:

6 **SECTION 1.**

7 Article 2 of Chapter 16 of Title 45 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to
8 death investigations by coroners, is revised by adding a new Code section to read as follows:

9 "45-16-50.

10 A medical examiner within the state of Georgia is authorized to provide to an approved
11 canine instructor or school certain biological substances such as human blood or bodily
12 fluids for the sole purpose of utilizing such substances for the training and handling of
13 police canine in body recovery of human remains or rescue of persons. Such biological
14 substances shall be contained and transported in accordance with appropriate health and
15 safety standards."

16 **SECTION 2.**

17 All laws and parts of laws in conflict with this Act are repealed.