

The House Committee on Rules offers the following substitute to SB 238:

A BILL TO BE ENTITLED  
AN ACT

1 To amend Title 20 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to education, so as to  
2 provide for utilization by the Board of Regents of certain construction related services of the  
3 Georgia State Financing and Investment Commission; to provide for utilization by the  
4 Georgia Education Authority (University) of certain construction related services of the  
5 Georgia State Financing and Investment Commission; to provide for utilization by the Board  
6 of Technical and Adult Education of certain construction related services of the Georgia  
7 State Financing and Investment Commission; to provide for utilization by the Georgia Higher  
8 Education Facilities Authority of certain construction related services of the Georgia State  
9 Financing and Investment Commission; to authorize certain additional types of student  
10 financial assistance for medical and dental students at the Medical College of Georgia; to  
11 provide for related matters; to provide for an effective date; to repeal conflicting laws; and  
12 for other purposes.

13 BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF GEORGIA:

14 **SECTION 1.**

15 Title 20 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to education, is amended by  
16 adding a new Code section to read as follows:

17 "20-3-62.1.

18 (a) As used in this Code section, the term 'project' has the same meaning provided by Code  
19 Section 20-3-151.

20 (b) Georgia State Finance and Investment Commission shall manage all procurement,  
21 design, project management, construction, and commissioning related activities for all  
22 board of regents projects designated in a resolution of the commission authorizing the  
23 issuance of bonds for such project."

24 **SECTION 2.**

25 Said title is further amended by adding a new Code section to read as follows:

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26 "20-3-153.1.  
27 The authority shall utilize the construction related services of the Georgia State Financing  
28 and Investment Commission with respect to the design, planning, and construction of any  
29 project of the authority. The reimbursement of the commission by the authority for  
30 services provided by the commission shall be considered as part of the costs of the project."

31 **SECTION 3.**

32 Said title is further amended by adding a new Code section to read as follows:

33 "20-4-18.1.  
34 The Georgia State Financing and Investment Commission shall manage all procurement,  
35 design, project management, construction, and commissioning related activities for all State  
36 Board of Technical and Adult Education projects designated in a resolution of the  
37 commission authorizing the issuance of bonds for such project."

38 **SECTION 4.**

39 Said title is further amended by adding a new Code section to read as follows:

40 "20-16-4.1.  
41 The authority shall utilize the construction related services of the Georgia State Financing  
42 and Investment Commission with respect to the design, planning, and construction of any  
43 project of the authority. The reimbursement of the commission by the authority for  
44 services provided by the commission shall be considered as part of the costs of the project."

45 **SECTION 5.**

46 Said title is further amended by revising Code Section 20-3-500, relating to granting of  
47 scholarships, as follows:

48 "20-3-500.  
49 (a) The board of regents shall have the authority to grant to qualified students, who are  
50 citizens and bona fide residents of the State of Georgia and who would not otherwise have  
51 available the funds necessary to obtain an education, such scholarships as are necessary for  
52 them to complete programs of study offered by institutions of the University System of  
53 Georgia, with the exception of the program leading to the degree of Doctor of Medicine.  
54 The terms and conditions thereof shall be prescribed and regulated by the board of regents  
55 but shall include the condition that recipients of such scholarships shall, upon the  
56 completion of their programs of study, reside in the State of Georgia and engage in  
57 activities for which they were prepared through the scholarships for a period of one year  
58 for each \$1,000.00 received.

59 (b) In addition to financial assistance provided for in subsection (a) of this Code section,  
60 the board of regents shall have specific authority to grant financial assistance to medical  
61 and dental students at the Medical College of Georgia in the form of service cancelable  
62 loans to cover a portion of tuition costs. Such loans shall be repaid through the provision  
63 of services in Georgia according to terms to be specified therein. If any portion of such a  
64 loan is not repaid through service, the recipient shall become obligated for monetary  
65 repayment of twice the amount of the loan not repaid through service."

66 **SECTION 6.**

67 This Act shall become effective on the first day of the month following the month in which  
68 it is approved by the Governor or in which it becomes law without such approval.

69 **SECTION 7.**

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