

Senate Bill 303

By: Senator Douglas of the 17th

A BILL TO BE ENTITLED  
AN ACT

1 To amend Code Section 27-5-5 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to wild  
2 animals for which license or permit is required, so as to include certain reptiles; to provide  
3 for a period to obtain a license; to repeal conflicting laws; and for other purposes.

4 BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF GEORGIA:

5 **SECTION 1.**

6 Code Section 27-5-5 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to wild animals for  
7 which license or permit is required, is amended by striking the word "and" at the end of  
8 paragraph (5) of subsection (b); by striking the period at the end of paragraph (6) of  
9 subsection (b) and inserting "; and"; and by inserting at the end of subsection (b) a new  
10 paragraph to read as follows:

11 "(7) Class Reptilia: Order Squamata:

12 (A) Family Pythonidae (pythons): Python molurus (Indian or Burmese python), Python  
13 reticulatus (reticulated python), Python sebae (African rock python), and Morelia  
14 amethystina (Amethystine or scrub python); and

15 (B) Family Boidae (anacondas): Eunectes murinus (green anaconda).

16 Any animal identified in subparagraph (A) or (B) of this paragraph may be maintained in  
17 the owner's residence as a pet under a wild animal license. Any such animal two inches  
18 or greater in diameter shall be permanently identified by a microchip such that the owner  
19 may readily be located. Any person in possession of any such animal on July 1, 2010, shall  
20 have until December 31, 2010, to apply for a wild animal license."

21 **SECTION 2.**

22 All laws and parts of laws in conflict with this Act are repealed.