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House Bill 1004

By: Representatives Holt of the 112th, Loudermilk of the 14th, and Benfield of the 85th

A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT

- 1 To amend Article 34 of Chapter 1 of Title 10 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated,
- 2 relating to identity theft, so as to provide that it shall be illegal for the state or its political
- 3 subdivisions to require the use of an individual's social security number or any portion
- 4 thereof or date of birth or any portion thereof as a username or user identification or
- 5 component of a username or user identification for access to computers, computer networks,
- 6 software, web pages, and similar electronic files; to provide for punishment for violations;
- 7 to provide for related matters; to repeal conflicting laws; and for other purposes.

8 BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF GEORGIA:

9 **SECTION 1.**

- 10 Article 34 of Chapter 1 of Title 10 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to
- identity theft, is amended by adding a new Code section to read as follows:
- 12 "<u>10-1-916.</u>
- 13 (a) It shall be illegal for any agency, department, authority, office, officer, agent, or
- 14 employee of the State of Georgia or any of its political subdivisions to require the use of
- an individual's social security number or any portion thereof or date of birth or any portion
- thereof as a username or user identification or component of a username or user
- 17 <u>identification for access to computers, computer networks, software, web pages, and</u>
- 18 <u>similar electronic files.</u>
- 19 (b) A violation of this Code section shall be a misdemeanor."

SECTION 2.

21 All laws and parts of laws in conflict with this Act are repealed.