

House Bill 1183

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A BILL TO BE ENTITLED  
AN ACT

1 To amend Chapter 6 of Title 16 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to sexual  
2 offenses, so as to provide for gender neutrality with regard to the offense of incest involving  
3 sexual intercourse or sodomy; to provide for related matters; to repeal conflicting laws; and  
4 for other purposes.

5 BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF GEORGIA:

6 style="text-align:center">**SECTION 1.**

7 Chapter 6 of Title 16 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to sexual offenses,  
8 is amended by revising subsection (a) of Code Section 16-6-22, relating to incest, as follows:

9 "(a) A person commits the offense of incest when ~~the~~ such person engages in sexual  
10 intercourse or sodomy, as such term is defined in Code Section 16-6-2, with a person ~~to~~  
11 whom he or she knows he or she is related to either by blood or by marriage as follows:

- 12 (1) Father and ~~daughter or stepdaughter~~ child or stepchild;
- 13 (2) Mother and ~~son or stepson~~ child or stepchild;
- 14 (3) Siblings ~~Brother and sister~~ of the whole blood or of the half blood;
- 15 (4) Grandparent and grandchild;
- 16 (5) Aunt and niece or nephew; or
- 17 (6) Uncle and niece or nephew."

18 style="text-align:center">**SECTION 2.**

19 All laws and parts of laws in conflict with this Act are repealed.