## Senate Bill 238

By: Senators James of the 35th, Davenport of the 44th, Tate of the 38th, Seay of the 34th, Orrock of the 36th and others

## A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT

To amend Chapter 1 of Title 30 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to
general provisions relative to handicapped persons, so as to provide that any motorized
wheelchair or scooter operated on public ways and sidewalks after dark shall be equipped
with reflectors; to provide that any such wheelchairs and scooters sold in this state shall be
equipped with reflectors; to repeal conflicting laws; and for other purposes.
BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF GEORGIA:

/	SECTION I.
8	Chapter 1 of Title 30 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to general
9	provisions relative to handicapped persons, is amended by adding a new Code section to read
10	as follows:
11	″ <u>30-1-7.</u>
12	(a) Every motorized wheelchair and scooter which is operated on the sidewalks and public
13	ways of this state shall be equipped with reflectors of a type approved by the Department
14	of Public Safety for bicycles. The reflector shall be so designed and situated as to be
15	visible from the front and rear of the wheelchair or scooter during darkness from a distance
16	<u>of 200 feet.</u>
17	(b) Every motorized wheelchair and scooter sold in this state after December 31, 2012,
18	shall be equipped with reflectors which comply with the provisions of subsection (a) of this
19	Code section."

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## **SECTION 2.**

21 All laws and parts of laws in conflict with this Act are repealed.