

House Bill 746

By: Representatives Maddox of the 127th, Willard of the 49th, McCall of the 30th, Roberts of the 154th, and Burns of the 157th

A BILL TO BE ENTITLED
AN ACT

1 To amend Code Section 2-2-9.1 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to the
2 administrative authority of the Commissioner of Agriculture on hearings for individuals
3 adversely affected, so as to clarify the timing of the Commissioner's final decision and
4 decision for reconsideration of the final decision; to provide for related matters; to repeal
5 conflicting laws; and for other purposes.

6 BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF GEORGIA:

7 **SECTION 1.**

8 Code Section 2-2-9.1 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to the
9 administrative authority of the Commissioner of Agriculture on hearings for individuals
10 adversely affected, is amended by revising paragraph (2) of subsection (l) and paragraph (6)
11 of subsection (m) as follows:

12 "(2) The Commissioner's final decision ~~must~~ shall be rendered not later than 30 days
13 ~~following the date the initial decision was issued~~ from the date of the filing of an
14 application for final agency review unless such period is extended pursuant to paragraph
15 (4) of this subsection."

16 "(6) The Commissioner's reconsideration decision shall be rendered within 30 days
17 following the latest filing deadline."

18 **SECTION 2.**

19 All laws and parts of laws in conflict with this Act are repealed.