

Senate Bill 415

By: Senators Jeffares of the 17th, Jackson of the 24th, Stone of the 23rd, Stoner of the 6th,
Rogers of the 21st and others

A BILL TO BE ENTITLED
AN ACT

1 To amend Code Section 12-5-29 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to
2 sewage and waste disposal, withdrawal, diversion, or impoundment of surface waters,
3 certificates required for vessels with marine toilets, and conditions for transfer of surface
4 water from one river basin to another, so as to change certain provisions relating to permit
5 requirements and prohibited acts; to provide an effective date; to repeal conflicting laws; and
6 for other purposes.

7 BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF GEORGIA:

8 **SECTION 1.**

9 Code Section 12-5-29 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to sewage and
10 waste disposal, withdrawal, diversion, or impoundment of surface waters, certificates
11 required for vessels with marine toilets, and conditions for transfer of surface water from one
12 river basin to another, is amended by revising subsection (b) as follows:

13 "(b) No person, without first securing from the division a permit, shall:

14 (1) ~~Construct, install, or modify~~ Operate any system for disposal of sewage, industrial
15 wastes, or other wastes, or any modification, extension, or addition thereto, when the
16 disposal of the sewage, industrial wastes, or other wastes constitutes pollution as defined
17 in this article;

18 (2) Increase the volume or strength of any sewage, industrial wastes, or other wastes in
19 excess of permissive discharges specified under any existing permit; or

20 (3) ~~Construct or use~~ Use any new outlet for the discharge of any sewage, industrial
21 wastes, or other wastes into the waters of the state when such discharge constitutes
22 pollution as defined in this article."

23 **SECTION 2.**

24 This Act shall become effective upon its approval by the Governor or upon its becoming law
25 without such approval.

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SECTION 3.

27 All laws and parts of laws in conflict with this Act are repealed.