

House Bill 983

By: Representatives Neal of the 75th, Coomer of the 14th, Teasley of the 38th, Talton of the 145th, Stephenson of the 92nd, and others

A BILL TO BE ENTITLED
AN ACT

1 To amend Code Section 16-5-95 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to the
2 offense of violating family violence orders and penalty, so as to provide that a person who
3 seeks and obtains a family violence order violates such order by engaging in certain activity;
4 to provide a penalty; to provide an effective date; to repeal conflicting laws; and for other
5 purposes.

6 BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF GEORGIA:

7 **SECTION 1.**

8 Code Section 16-5-95 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to the offense of
9 violating family violence orders and penalty, is amended by adding a new subsection to read
10 as follows:

11 "(a.1) A person who seeks and is granted a family violence order violates such order when
12 he or she commits any act which would place the person named in the order in violation
13 if that person had committed such act."

14 **SECTION 2.**

15 Said Code section is further amended by revising subsection (b) as follows:

16 "(b) Any person convicted of a violation of subsection (a) or (a.1) of this Code section
17 shall be guilty of a misdemeanor."

18 **SECTION 3.**

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

21 **SECTION 4.**

22 All laws and parts of laws in conflict with this Act are repealed.