

Senate Bill 66

By: Senators Stone of the 23rd, McKoon of the 29th, Crosby of the 13th, Jackson of the 24th, Ligon, Jr. of the 3rd and others

A BILL TO BE ENTITLED
AN ACT

1 To amend Title 15 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to courts, so as to
2 increase penalties that can be imposed for contempt of superior and state courts; to provide
3 for related matters; to repeal conflicting laws; and for other purposes.

4 BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF GEORGIA:

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

6 Title 15 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to courts, is amended by revising
7 paragraph (5) of Code Section 15-6-8, relating to jurisdiction and powers of the superior
8 courts, as follows:

9 "(5) To punish contempt by fines not exceeding ~~\$500.00~~ \$1,000.00 and by imprisonment
10 not exceeding 20 days; and"

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

12 Said title is further amended by revising paragraph (5) of subsection (a) of Code Section
13 15-7-4, relating to jurisdiction for state courts, as follows:

14 "(5) The punishment of ~~contempts~~ contempt by ~~fine~~ fines not exceeding ~~\$500.00~~ \$1,000.00
15 and by imprisonment not exceeding 20 days, ~~or both~~; and"

16 style="text-align:center">**SECTION 3.**

17 All laws and parts of laws in conflict with this Act are repealed.