

Senate Bill 219

By: Senator James of the 35th

A BILL TO BE ENTITLED
AN ACT

1 To amend Part 5 of Article 4 of Chapter 11 of Title 16 of the Official Code of Georgia
2 Annotated, relating to Brady law regulations, so as to prohibit the purchase or sale of hand
3 guns and long guns on state property; to provide for exceptions including persons
4 participating in a government sponsored firearm buy back program; to provide for penalties;
5 to provide for related matters; to provide for an effective date and applicability; to repeal
6 conflicting laws; and for other purposes.

7 BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF GEORGIA:

8 **SECTION 1.**

9 Part 5 of Article 4 of Chapter 11 of Title 16 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated,
10 relating to Brady law regulations, is amended by adding a new Code section to read as
11 follows:

12 "16-11-174.

13 (a) As used in this Code section, the term:

14 (1) 'Handgun' and 'long gun' shall have the same meanings as provided for in Code
15 Section 16-11-125.1.

16 (2) 'State property' shall mean any real property, including buildings, parking lots, and
17 grounds surrounding and connected thereto, that is owned, leased, or under the control
18 of any state government entity or any subdivision of this state.

19 (b) No person shall offer for sale, sell, attempt to purchase, or purchase a handgun or long
20 gun on state property or within 100 feet of state property. A person acting in violation of
21 this Code section commits the offense of selling or purchasing a gun on state property
22 which shall be a misdemeanor of a high and aggravated nature and, upon conviction
23 thereof, shall be punished by imprisonment for not more than one year or by a fine not to
24 exceed \$5,000.00, or both.

25 (c) This Code section shall not apply to a person participating in a government sponsored
26 firearm buy back program."

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SECTION 2.

28 This Act shall become effective on July 1, 2013, and shall apply to offenses committed on
29 or after such date.

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SECTION 3.

31 All laws and parts of laws in conflict with this Act are repealed.