

Senate Bill 172

By: Senators Jones of the 10th, Thompson of the 33rd, Carter of the 42nd, Chance of the 16th, Jackson of the 2nd and others

**AS PASSED SENATE**

**A BILL TO BE ENTITLED  
AN ACT**

1 To amend Part 1 of Article 2 of Chapter 3 of Title 20 of the Official Code of Georgia  
2 Annotated, relating to the board of regents and University System of Georgia, so as to  
3 provide for a civil rights museum as a division of the Georgia Capitol Museum; to repeal  
4 conflicting laws; and for other purposes.

5 **BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF GEORGIA:**

6 **SECTION 1.**

7 Part 1 of Article 2 of Chapter 3 of Title 20 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated,  
8 relating to the board of regents and University System of Georgia, is amended by adding a  
9 new Code section to read as follows:

10 "20-3-41.

11 (a)(1) The provisions of Code Section 28-4-2 and Part 2 of Article 4 of Chapter 13 of  
12 Title 45 notwithstanding, upon funds being made available there may be a civil rights  
13 museum established on Capitol Hill, which may be located within or outside the capitol  
14 building. The purpose of such museum shall be to pay tribute to and highlight the  
15 accomplishments of prominent leaders in the civil rights movement who contributed to  
16 the greater good of the nation, including but not limited to Martin Luther King, Jr.,  
17 Coretta Scott King, Joseph Lowery, Andrew Young, and John Lewis.

18 (2) Without limiting the provisions of paragraph (1) of this subsection, a suitable portrait  
19 of Martin Luther King, Jr., shall be placed on display in the civil rights museum.

20 (b) Such museum shall be a division of the Georgia Capitol Museum provided for by Code  
21 Section 20-3-40 and shall be governed and administered accordingly."

22 **SECTION 2.**

23 All laws and parts of laws in conflict with this Act are repealed.