

House Bill 793

By: Representatives Turner of the 21st, Caldwell of the 20th, Stover of the 71st, Kirby of the 114th, Chapman of the 167th, and others

A BILL TO BE ENTITLED
AN ACT

1 To provide a short title; to amend Chapter 87 of Title 36 of the Official Code of Georgia
2 Annotated, relating to participation in federal programs, so as to provide that no local
3 authority or local government shall accept federal funds in any form or for any purpose
4 unless the acceptance of such federal funds has been approved by an Act of the General
5 Assembly; to amend Chapter 1 of Title 50 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated,
6 relating to general provisions regarding state government, so as to provide that no state
7 authority, agency, board, bureau, commission, department, office, public corporation, or
8 other entity of state government shall accept federal funds in any form or for any purpose
9 unless the acceptance of such federal funds has been approved by an Act of the General
10 Assembly; to provide for related matters; to repeal conflicting laws; and for other purposes.

11 BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF GEORGIA:

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

13 This Act shall be known and may be cited as the "Fiscal Accountability Act."

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

15 Chapter 87 of Title 36 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to participation
16 in federal programs, is amended by adding a new Code section to read as follows:

17 "36-87-3.

18 Notwithstanding any provision of law to the contrary, no local authority or local
19 government of this state including, but not limited to, counties, municipal corporations, and
20 school districts, shall accept federal funds in any form or for any purpose, including, but
21 not limited to, loans and grants, unless the acceptance of such federal funds has been
22 expressly and specifically approved by an Act of the General Assembly."

23 **SECTION 3.**

24 Chapter 1 of Title 50 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to general
25 provisions regarding state government, is amended by adding a new Code section to read as
26 follows:

27 "50-1-10.

28 Notwithstanding any provision of law to the contrary, no state authority, agency, board,
29 bureau, commission, department, office, public corporation, or other entity of state
30 government shall accept federal funds in any form or for any purpose, including, but not
31 limited to, loans and grants, unless the acceptance of such federal funds has been expressly
32 and specifically approved by an Act of the General Assembly."

33 **SECTION 4.**

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