

House Bill 280

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A BILL TO BE ENTITLED

AN ACT

To amend Code Section 42-1-12 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to the State Sexual Offender Registry, so as to require registration when an individual is convicted of trafficking a person for sexual servitude; to provide for venue; to provide for related matters; to repeal conflicting laws; and for other purposes.

BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF GEORGIA:

**SECTION 1.**

Code Section 42-1-12 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to the State Sexual Offender Registry, is amended by adding a new subparagraph to paragraph (10) of subsection (a) and adding a new subsection to read as follows:

"(B.1) 'Dangerous sexual offense' with respect to convictions occurring on or after July 1, 2015, means trafficking a person for sexual servitude in violation of Code Section 16-5-46, or the attempt to commit such offense, or any offense under federal law or the laws of another state or territory of the United States which consists of the same or similar elements of such offense."

"(r) Any violation of this Code section is declared to be a continuous offense, and venue for such offense shall be considered to have been committed in any county where:

(1) A sexual offender is required to register;

(2) An accused fails to comply with the requirements of this Code section; or

(3) An accused provides false information."

**SECTION 2.**

All laws and parts of laws in conflict with this Act are repealed.