

Senate Bill 162

By: Senators Jones of the 10th, Henson of the 41st, Harbison of the 15th, Seay of the 34th and Davenport of the 44th

A BILL TO BE ENTITLED
AN ACT

1 To amend Chapter 2 of Title 20 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to
2 elementary and secondary education, so as to revise provisions regarding student discipline
3 reporting for students less than ten years old; to provide for related matters; to repeal
4 conflicting laws; and for other purposes.

5 BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF GEORGIA:

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

7 Chapter 2 of Title 20 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to elementary and
8 secondary education, is amended in Code Section 20-2-1184, relating to reporting of students
9 committing prohibited acts, by revising subsection (b) as follows:

10 "(b) The principal or designee who receives a report made pursuant to subsection (a) of this
11 Code section regarding a student ten years old or older who has reasonable cause to believe
12 that the report is valid shall make an oral report thereof immediately by telephone or
13 otherwise to the appropriate school system superintendent and to the appropriate police
14 authority and district attorney. The principal or designee who receives a report made
15 pursuant to subsection (a) of this Code section regarding a student less than ten years old
16 who has reasonable cause to believe that the report is valid may, in his or her discretion,
17 make an oral report thereof immediately by telephone or otherwise to the appropriate
18 school system superintendent and to the appropriate police authority and district attorney."

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

20 All laws and parts of laws in conflict with this Act are repealed.