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The House Committee on Judiciary offers the following substitute to HB 547:

A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT

- 1 To amend Chapter 3 of Title 53 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to year's
- 2 support, so as to change provisions relating to taxes and tax liens; to provide for a definition;
- 3 to provide for related matters; to repeal conflicting laws; and for other purposes.

4 BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF GEORGIA:

- 5 SECTION 1.
- 6 Chapter 3 of Title 53 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to year's support,
- 7 is amended by revising Code Section 53-3-4, relating to taxes and tax liens, as follows:
- 8 "53-3-4.
- 9 (a) As used in this Code section, the term 'homestead' shall have the same meaning as set
- 10 forth in Code Section 48-5-40.
- 11 (b) In solvent and insolvent estates, all taxes and liens for taxes accrued for years prior to
- the year of the decedent's death against the real property homestead set apart and against
- any equity of redemption applicable to the real property homestead set apart shall be
- 14 divested as if the entire title were included in the year's support. Additionally, as elected
- in the petition, property taxes accrued in the year of the decedent's death or in the year in
- which the petition for year's support is filed or, if the petition is filed in the year of the
- decedent's death, in the year following the filing of the petition, shall be divested if the real
- property <u>homestead</u> is set apart for year's support."
- 19 SECTION 2.
- 20 All laws and parts of laws in conflict with this Act are repealed.