House Bill 209 (AS PASSED HOUSE AND SENATE)

By: Representatives Cantrell of the 22nd, Teasley of the 37th, Casas of the 107th, Evans of the 42nd, Stovall of the 74th, and others

A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT

1 To amend Article 33 of Chapter 2 of Title 20 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated,

2 relating to the "Georgia Special Needs Scholarship Act," so as to revise provisions relating

3 to notification of parents of eligible students as to scholarship options; to provide for related

4 matters; to repeal conflicting laws; and for other purposes.

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BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF GEORGIA:

6 **SECTION 1.** 7 Article 33 of Chapter 2 of Title 20 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to the 8 "Georgia Special Needs Scholarship Act," is amended revising subsection (a) of Code 9 Section 20-2-2113, relating to annual notification of options available to parents of special needs students, as follows: 10 11 "(a) <u>The resident school system shall provide specific written notice of the options</u> 12 available under this article to the parent at the initial Individualized Education Program (IEP) meeting in which a disability of the parent's child is identified. Thereafter, the The 13 14 resident school system shall annually notify prior to the beginning of each school year the 15 parent of a student with a disability by letter, electronic means, or by such other reasonable means in a timely manner of the options available to the parent under this article." 16

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SECTION 2.

18 All laws and parts of laws in conflict with this Act are repealed.