

House Bill 895

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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 require finance directors of charter schools to
3 participate in initial and annual training in financially operating a charter school; to provide
4 for related matters; to repeal 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 by adding a new Code section to read as follows:

9 "20-2-2073.

10 The finance director of each charter school shall participate in initial training for newly
11 approved charter schools and annual training thereafter conducted or approved by the state
12 board. The state board shall provide for or approve such initial and annual training. For
13 charter schools that are college and career academies, as defined in subsection (b) of Code
14 Section 20-4-37, the state board shall provide for or approve such training in conjunction
15 with the Technical College System of Georgia. The training shall include, but not be
16 limited to, payroll, purchasing, government accounting, financial policies, internal controls,
17 and budgeting."

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

19 Said chapter is further amended in subsection (b) of Code Section 20-2-2083, relating to the
20 powers and the duties of the State Charter Schools Commission, by striking the "and" at the
21 end of paragraph (11), by striking the period and adding "; and" at the end of paragraph (12),
22 and by adding a new paragraph (13) to read as follows:

23 "(13) Provide for or approve initial training for finance directors of newly approved state
24 charter schools and annual training thereafter, as determined by the commission. For
25 charter schools that are college and career academies, as defined in subsection (b) of

26 Code Section 20-4-37, the commission shall provide or approve such training in
27 conjunction with the Technical College System of Georgia. The training shall include,
28 but not be limited to, payroll, purchasing, government accounting, financial policies,
29 internal controls, and budgeting."

30 **SECTION 3.**

31 Said chapter is further amended by adding a new subsection to Code Section 20-2-2084,
32 relating to state charter school requirements, to read as follows:

33 "(f.1) The finance director of each state charter school shall participate in initial training
34 for newly approved state charter schools and annual training thereafter conducted or
35 approved by the commission pursuant to paragraph (13) of subsection (b) of Code Section
36 20-2-2083."

37 **SECTION 4.**

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