

Senate Bill 141

By: Senators Thompson of the 14th, Kirk of the 13th, Dugan of the 30th, Unterman of the 45th, Ligon, Jr. of the 3rd and others

**AS PASSED SENATE**

A BILL TO BE ENTITLED

AN ACT

1 To amend Article 4 of Chapter 15 of Title 25 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated,  
2 relating to carnival ride safety, so as to require the owner of a carnival ride to submit an  
3 engineering evaluation with a carnival ride permit application; to provide for related matters;  
4 to repeal conflicting laws; and for other purposes.

5 BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF GEORGIA:

6 **SECTION 1.**

7 Article 4 of Chapter 15 of Title 25 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to  
8 carnival ride safety, is amended by revising Code Section 25-15-85, relating to permit  
9 required and application, as follows:

10 "25-15-85.

11 (a) No carnival ride shall be operated in any calendar year, except for purposes of testing  
12 and inspection, until a permit for its operation has been issued by the office. The owner  
13 of a carnival ride shall apply for a permit to the office on a form furnished by the office,  
14 providing such information as the office may require.

15 (b) Beginning January 1, 2018, no permit for a carnival ride to operate in this state shall  
16 be issued by the office until the carnival owner submits proper documentation of an  
17 engineering evaluation as deemed appropriate by the Commissioner as prescribed in rules  
18 and regulations based upon the nature and components of the carnival ride. Such  
19 documentation shall be provided prior to the required annual inspection provided for in  
20 Code Section 25-15-86 and use of the carnival ride by the general public. The submission  
21 of an engineering evaluation pursuant to this subsection shall only be required the first time  
22 the carnival owner applies for a permit for the carnival ride in this state on or after  
23 January 1, 2018."

24 **SECTION 2.**

25 All laws and parts of laws in conflict with this Act are repealed.