

House Bill 520

By: Representatives Gordon of the 163rd, Metze of the 55th, Burnough of the 77th, and Stephens of the 165th

A BILL TO BE ENTITLED
AN ACT

1 To amend Chapter 2 of Title 21 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to
2 elections and primaries generally, so as to provide for continuing requests for absentee ballot
3 request forms; to provide for related matters; to provide a short title; to repeal conflicting
4 laws; and for other purposes.

5 BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF GEORGIA:

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

7 This Act shall be known and may be cited as the "Absentee Ballot Access Act."

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

9 Chapter 2 of Title 21 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to elections and
10 primaries generally, is amended by revising paragraph (3) of subsection (a) of Code
11 Section 21-2-381, relating to making of application for absentee ballot, determination of
12 eligibility by ballot clerk, furnishing of applications to colleges and universities, and persons
13 entitled to make application, as follows:

14 "(3) ~~Reserved~~ An elector making a request for an absentee ballot shall be authorized to
15 request that the board of registrars or absentee ballot clerk annually mail to such elector
16 at the address at which such elector is registered a form to request an absentee ballot for
17 the primaries and elections to be held that year. Such request shall continue in force so
18 long as such elector remains registered to vote in that county or municipality. Absentee
19 ballot request forms provided by the board of registrars or absentee ballot clerk shall
20 contain a place for electors to make a request under this paragraph."

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

22 All laws and parts of laws in conflict with this Act are repealed.