

Senate Bill 349

By: Senators Jackson of the 2nd, Jones of the 10th, Anderson of the 43rd and Harbison of the 15th

**AS PASSED SENATE**

A BILL TO BE ENTITLED

AN ACT

1 To amend Chapter 17 of Title 45 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to  
2 notaries public, so as to provide that the identification of persons for whom notaries perform  
3 notarial acts shall be evidenced satisfactorily by a valid Veterans Health Identification Card  
4 issued by the United States Department of Veterans Affairs; to provide for related matters;  
5 to repeal conflicting laws; and for other purposes.

6 BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF GEORGIA:

7 **SECTION 1.**

8 Chapter 17 of Title 45 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to notaries public,  
9 is amended by revising subsection (e) of Code Section 45-17-8, relating to powers and duties  
10 generally, as follows:

11 "(e) In performing any notarial act, a notary public shall confirm the identity of the  
12 document signer, oath taker, or affirmant based on personal knowledge or on satisfactory  
13 evidence. Such satisfactory evidence shall include, but not be limited to, a valid Veterans  
14 Health Identification Card issued by the United States Department of Veterans Affairs."

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16 **SECTION 2.**

17 All laws and parts of laws in conflict with this Act are repealed.