

Senate Bill 457

By: Senators Orrock of the 36th, Henson of the 41st, Tate of the 38th, Williams of the 39th, Harrell of the 40th and others

A BILL TO BE ENTITLED
AN ACT

1 To amend Chapter 3 of Title 20 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to
2 postsecondary education, so as to provide for a fee waiver for students who serve full time
3 or part time as graduate teaching or research assistants at units of the University System of
4 Georgia; to provide for a definition; to provide for related matters; to repeal conflicting laws;
5 and for other purposes.

6 BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF GEORGIA:

7 **SECTION 1.**

8 Chapter 3 of Title 20 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to postsecondary
9 education, is amended by adding a new article to read as follows:

10 "ARTICLE 13

11 20-3-680.

12 (a) As used in this article, the term 'graduate assistant' means a student enrolled in a
13 postgraduate program at a unit of the University System of Georgia who works 20 or more
14 hours per week during an academic term as a graduate teaching assistant or graduate
15 research assistant.

16 (b) The board of regents is directed to waive mandatory special institutional fees for
17 graduate assistants."

18 **SECTION 2.**

19 All laws and parts of laws in conflict with this Act are repealed.