

House Bill 1103

By: Representative Smyre of the 135th

A BILL TO BE ENTITLED
AN ACT

1 To amend Article 1 of Chapter 7 of Title 31 and Chapter 5 of Title 49 of the Official Code
2 of Georgia Annotated, relating to regulation of hospitals and related institutions and
3 programs and protection for children and youth, respectively, so as to require the licensing
4 and permitting authorities of personal care homes and child-caring institutions and the
5 approving agencies of foster care homes to notify the applicable local law enforcement
6 agencies, fire departments, licensing departments, and planning and zoning departments of
7 any such license, permittance, or approval; to provide for related matters; to repeal
8 conflicting laws; and for other purposes.

9 BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF GEORGIA:

10 **SECTION 1.**

11 Article 1 of Chapter 7 of Title 31 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to
12 regulation of hospitals and related institutions, is amended by adding a new Code section to
13 read as follows:

14 "31-7-12.4.

15 On and after July 1, 2020, upon the license or permittance of a personal care home, the
16 commissioner shall provide notification of such to the local law enforcement agency, fire
17 department, licensing department, and planning and zoning department of the county or
18 municipality, as applicable, in which such personal care home is or is to be located."

19 **SECTION 2.**

20 Chapter 5 of Title 49 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to programs and
21 protection for children and youth, is amended in Article 1, relating to children and youth
22 services, by adding new Code sections to read as follows:

23 "49-5-12.4.

24 On and after July 1, 2020, upon the license or permittance of a child-caring institution, the
25 commissioner shall provide notification of such to the local law enforcement agency, fire

26 department, licensing department, and planning and zoning department of the county or
27 municipality, as applicable, in which such child-caring institution is or is to be located.

28 49-5-12.5.

29 On and after July 1, 2020, upon the approval of a foster care home, the child-placing
30 agency approving the foster care home shall provide notification of such approval to the
31 local law enforcement agency, fire department, licensing department, and planning and
32 zoning department of the county or municipality, as applicable, in which such foster care
33 home is or is to be located."

34 **SECTION 3.**

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