House Bill 1188
By: Representatives Gambill of the 15th, Williams of the 145th, Greene of the 151st, Bonner of the 72nd, Gullett of the 19th, and others

A BILL TO BE ENTITLED
AN ACT

To amend Chapter 1 of Title 51 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to general provisions regarding torts, so as to provide for immunity from civil damages for certain conduct in regard to coronavirus disease 2019 (COVID-19); to provide for definitions; to provide for an exception; to provide for related matters; to repeal conflicting laws; and for other purposes.

BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF GEORGIA:

SECTION 1.

Chapter 1 of Title 51 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to general provisions regarding torts, is amended by adding a new Code section to read as follows:

"51-1-56.
(a) As used in this Code section, the term:
(2) 'Person' means any individual, sole proprietorship, partnership, limited partnership, firm, corporation, limited liability company, association, or any other entity or organized group of individuals whether or not incorporated engaged in any activity with the object of:
(A) Direct or indirect profit or gain, benefit, or advantage; or
(B) Nonprofit activity.
(b) No person shall be liable for any civil damages for the transmission of, or for injury or injuries resulting from, COVID-19 that arise out of activity with the object of direct or indirect profit or gain, benefit, advantage, or nonprofit activity unless actions during such activity were willful and wanton for such transmission or injury or injuries."

SECTION 2.

All laws and parts of laws in conflict with this Act are repealed.