

Senate Bill 224

By: Senators Harrell of the 40th, Butler of the 55th, Au of the 48th, Jackson of the 41st,  
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A BILL TO BE ENTITLED  
AN ACT

1 To amend Article 1 of Chapter 16 of Title 50 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated,  
2 relating to general provisions for public property, so as to require the distribution of paper  
3 based products at cafeterias operated by the Georgia Building Authority; to provide for an  
4 exception; to provide for definitions; to provide for related matters; to provide for an  
5 effective date; to repeal conflicting laws; and for other purposes.

6 BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF GEORGIA:

7 **SECTION 1.**

8 Article 1 of Chapter 16 of Title 50 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to  
9 general provisions for public property, is amended by adding a new Code section to read as  
10 follows:

11 "50-16-20.

12 (a) As used in this Code section, the term:

13 (1) 'Compostable' means capable of being transformed into a stable, odor-free humus  
14 through controlled biological decomposition.

15 (2) 'Recyclable' means capable of being collected, separated, or processed and then  
16 reused or returned to use in the form of raw materials or products.

17 (b) On and after January 1, 2022, all single-use and carry-out products, except for lids,  
18 sold, distributed, and provided at cafeterias operated by the Georgia Building Authority  
19 shall be paper based, shall not contain per- and polyfluoroalkyl substances, and shall be  
20 commonly recyclable or compostable. This Code section shall not apply to snack bars  
21 operated by the Georgia Vocational Rehabilitation Agency."

22 **SECTION 2.**

23 This Act shall become effective on January 1, 2022.

24 **SECTION 3.**

25 All laws and parts of laws in conflict with this Act are repealed.