

House Bill 1681

By: Representative Lim of the 99th

A BILL TO BE ENTITLED
AN ACT

1 To amend Part 1 of Article 3 of Chapter 5 of Title 50 of the Official Code of Georgia
2 Annotated, relating to general authority, duties, and procedure for state purchasing, so as to
3 require an annual review and report on the supply chain of critical goods in the state; to
4 revise provisions of determining local preferences in purchases made by the state and its
5 departments, agencies, commissions, and authorities; to provide for related matters; to repeal
6 conflicting laws; and for other purposes.

7 BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF GEORGIA:

8 **SECTION 1.**

9 Part 1 of Article 3 of Chapter 5 of Title 50 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated,
10 relating to general authority, duties, and procedure for state purchasing, is amended in Code
11 Section 50-5-51, relating to powers, authority, and duty of the Department of Administrative
12 Service, by revising paragraph (2) as follows:

13 "(2) To establish and enforce standard specifications which shall apply to all supplies,
14 materials, equipment, and services other than professional and personal employment
15 services purchased or to be purchased for the use of the state government for any of its
16 offices, agencies, departments, boards, bureaus, commissions, institutions, or other entities

17 of the state, and to review and produce an annual report on the supply chain of critical
18 goods in the state;"

19 **SECTION 2.**

20 Said part is further amended in Code Section 50-5-60, relating to preference to supplies,
21 equipment, materials, and agricultural products produced in Georgia generally, and
22 determination as to reasonableness of preference, by revising subsection (a) as follows:

23 "(a) The state and any department, agency, or commission thereof, when contracting for
24 or purchasing supplies, materials, equipment, or agricultural products, excluding
25 beverages for immediate consumption, shall give preference as far as may be reasonable
26 and practicable to such supplies, materials, equipment, and agricultural products as may
27 be manufactured or produced in this state. Such preference shall not sacrifice quality.
28 Such preference shall be presumptively reasonable and practicable where the cost of the
29 supplies, materials, equipment, or agricultural products shall be less than 10 percent less
30 costly in price than comparable products manufactured or produced out of this state, as
31 determined by the Department of Administrative Services."

32 **SECTION 3.**

33 Said part is further amended in Code Section 50-5-61, relating to state and local authorities
34 to give preference to supplies, materials, and agricultural products produced in Georgia, and
35 determination as to reasonableness of preference, by revising subsection (a) as follows:

36 "(a) State and local authorities created by law, in the purchase of and contracting for any
37 supplies, materials, equipment, and agricultural products, excluding beverages for
38 immediate consumption, shall give preference as far as may be reasonable and practicable
39 to such supplies, materials, equipment, and agricultural products as may be manufactured
40 or produced in this state. Such preference shall not sacrifice quality. Such preference shall
41 be presumptively reasonable and practicable where the cost of the supplies, materials,

42 equipment, or agricultural products shall be less than 10 percent less costly in price than
43 comparable products manufactured or produced out of this state, as determined by the
44 Department of Administrative Services."

45 **SECTION 4.**

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