

Senate Bill 72

By: Senators Mullis of the 53rd, Miller of the 49th, Gooch of the 51st, Albers of the 56th, Hickman of the 4th and others

AS PASSED SENATE

A BILL TO BE ENTITLED

AN ACT

1 To amend Chapter 2 of Title 21 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to
2 elections and primaries generally, so as to provide that county registrars shall obtain monthly
3 from the coroner, judge of the probate court, and funeral homes in the county identifying
4 information about persons who died in the county during the previous month; to provide for
5 related matters; to repeal conflicting laws; and for other purposes.

6 BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF GEORGIA:

7 **SECTION 1.**

8 Chapter 2 of Title 21 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to elections and
9 primaries generally, is amended by revising subsection (e.1) of Code Section 21-2-231,
10 relating to lists of persons convicted of felonies, noncitizens, mentally incompetent, and
11 deceased persons provided to Secretary of State and Council of Superior Court Clerks,
12 removal of names from list of electors, obtain information about deceased, timing, and list
13 of inactive voters provided to Council of Superior Court Clerks, as follows:

14 "(e.1)(1) County registrars shall obtain monthly from the county coroner, judge of the
15 probate court, and all funeral homes in the county identifying information about persons

16 who have died during the previous month. Coroners, judges of the probate court, and
17 funeral homes shall provide such information to the registrars without charge.

18 (2) County registrars may obtain information about persons who died from obituaries
19 published by local newspapers, death certificates, verifiable knowledge of the death, and
20 information provided in writing and signed by a family member or members of the
21 deceased person.

22 (3) After obtaining the information provided for in this subsection, county County
23 registrars shall determine if such deceased person's name appears on the list of electors
24 and, if so, shall remove such name from the list of electors and shall send by first class
25 mail to the mailing address shown on the elector's voter registration records a notice of
26 such action and the reason therefor."

27 **SECTION 2.**

28 All laws and parts of laws in conflict with this Act are repealed.