

Senate Bill 1

By: Senators Dolezal of the 27th, Gooch of the 51st, Anavitarte of the 31st, Kennedy of the 18th, Moore of the 53rd and others

A BILL TO BE ENTITLED
AN ACT

1 To amend Chapter 1 of Title 50 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to
2 general provisions regarding state government, so as to remove the automatic repealer on the
3 prohibition on state and local governments from requiring proof of COVID vaccination for
4 government services; to amend an Act relating to prohibitions on local boards of education,
5 local school superintendents, or school administrators, teachers, or other school personnel
6 from making or enforcing any rule that requires a student to wear a face mask or face
7 covering while present on school property unless there is an exemption, approved March 29,
8 2022, (Ga. L. 2022, p. 23/SB 514), so as to remove an automatic repealer; to provide for an
9 effective date; to repeal conflicting laws; and for other purposes.

10 BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF GEORGIA:

11 **SECTION 1.**

12 Chapter 1 of Title 50 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to general
13 provisions regarding state government, is amended by revising Code Section 50-1-11,
14 relating to proof of COVID vaccination for government services not required, as follows:

15 "50-1-11.

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

17 (1) 'Agency' means:

(A) Every state department, agency, board, bureau, office, commission, public corporation, and authority;

(B) Every county, municipal corporation, school district, or other political subdivision of this state;

(C) Every department, agency, board, bureau, office, commission, authority, or similar body of each such county, municipal corporation, or other political subdivision of this state; and

(D) Every city, county, regional, or other authority established pursuant to the laws of this state.

(2) 'COVID-19' means severe acute respiratory syndrome coronavirus 2 (SARS-CoV-2), and any mutation or viral fragments thereof, or any disease or condition caused by severe acute respiratory syndrome coronavirus 2 (SARS-CoV-2), which was the subject of the public health state of emergency declared by the Governor on March 14, 2020.

(b)(1) No agency shall require proof of COVID-19 vaccination of any person as a condition of providing any service or access to any facility, issuing any license, permit, or other type of authorization, or performing any duty of such agency.

(2) No agency, through any rule, regulation, ordinance, resolution, or other action shall require that any person or private entity require proof of COVID-19 vaccination of any person as a condition of providing any service or access to any facility, or as a condition of such person or private entity's performance of any regular activity by such person or private entity.

(c) This Code section shall not apply if compliance with this Code section would require an agency to violate one or more regulations of the federal Centers for Medicare and Medicaid Services or any federal contractual terms applying to workplace locations in which one or more individuals are working on or in connection with a federal government contract.

~~(d) This Code section shall stand repealed by operation of law on June 30, 2023."~~

45 **SECTION 2.**

46 An Act relating to prohibitions on local boards of education, local school superintendents,
47 or school administrators, teachers, or other school personnel from making or enforcing any
48 rule that requires a student to wear a face mask or face covering while present on school
49 property unless there is an exemption, approved March 29, 2022, (Ga. L. 2022,
50 p. 23/SB 514), is amended by repealing Section 6 in its entirety.

51 **SECTION 3.**

52 This Act shall become effective upon its approval by the Governor or upon its becoming law
53 without such approval.

54 **SECTION 4.**

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