

House Bill 682

By: Representative Mitchell of the 88<sup>th</sup>

A BILL TO BE ENTITLED  
AN ACT

1 To amend Article 2 of Chapter 10 of Title 17 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated,  
2 relating to the death penalty generally, so as to provide that the death penalty shall not be  
3 imposed if the only evidence of the defendant's guilt is the testimony of a single eyewitness;  
4 to provide for related matters; to repeal conflicting laws; and for other purposes.

5 BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF GEORGIA:

6 **SECTION 1.**

7 Article 2 of Chapter 10 of Title 17 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to the  
8 death penalty generally, is amended by revising Code Section 17-10-30, relating to the  
9 procedure for imposition of death penalty generally, by adding a new subsection to read as  
10 follows:

11 "(d) The death penalty shall not be imposed in cases in which the only evidence of a  
12 defendant's guilt is the testimony of a single eyewitness."

13 **SECTION 2.**

14 All laws and parts of laws in conflict with this Act are repealed.