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Senate Bill 67

By: Senators Jones of the 10th, Orrock of the 36th, Lucas of the 26th, Davenport of the 44th, Sims of the 12th and others

A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT

- 1 To amend Part 3 of Article 4 of Chapter 11 of Title 16 of the Official Code of Georgia
- 2 Annotated, relating to carrying and possession of firearms, so as to prohibit all carrying of
- 3 weapons in government buildings; to provide for related matters; to repeal conflicting laws;
- 4 and for other purposes.

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5 BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF GEORGIA:

6 SECTION 1.

Part 3 of Article 4 of Chapter 11 of Title 16 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated,

8 relating to carrying and possession of firearms, is amended by revising subsection (e) of

9 Code Section 16-11-127, relating to carrying weapons in unauthorized locations, as follows:

"(e)(1) A license holder shall be authorized to carry a weapon in a government building

when the government building is open for business and where ingress into such building

is not restricted or screened by security personnel. A license holder who enters or

13 attempts to enter a government building carrying a weapon where ingress is restricted or

screened by security personnel shall be guilty of a misdemeanor if at least one member

of such security personnel is certified as a peace officer pursuant to Chapter 8 of Title 35;

provided, however, that a license holder who immediately exits such building or

immediately leaves such location upon notification of his or her failure to clear security

due to the carrying of a weapon shall not be guilty of violating this subsection or

paragraph (1) of subsection (b) of this Code section. A person who is not a license holder

20 and who attempts to enter a government building carrying a weapon shall be guilty of a

21 misdemeanor.

22 (2) Any license holder who violates subsection (b) of this Code section in a place of

worship shall not be arrested but shall be fined not more than \$100.00. Any person who

is not a license holder who violates subsection (b) of this Code section in a place of

worship shall be punished as for a misdemeanor."

SECTION 2.

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27 All laws and parts of laws in conflict with this Act are repealed.