The House Committee on Judiciary Non-civil offers the following substitute to SB 94:

A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT

1 To amend Chapter 5 of Title 17 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to search 2 and seizure, so as to revise and modernize the law relating to search and seizure; to provide 3 for definitions; to provide for seizure of intangible property; to change provisions relating to searches without warrants; to authorize the recording of the execution of a search warrant; 4 to provide for a procedure for sealing and delaying disclosure of search warrants, supporting 5 documentation thereof, and returns under certain circumstances; to change the standard for 6 7 suppressing evidence; to reorganize the use of wiretapping and surveillance into the search and seizure chapter; to provide for a procedure for the installation and use of tracking 8 9 devices, pen registers, and trap and trace devices; to amend Article 3 of Chapter 11 of Title 10 16 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to invasions of privacy, so as to repeal provisions relating to wiretapping and surveillance now contained in Chapter 5 of Title 17; 11 12 to amend Chapter 18 of Title 15 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to prosecuting attorneys, so as to change provisions relating to investigators in District Attorney 13 14 and Solicitor-General Offices; to amend Code Sections 2-2-11, 2-15-14, 12-2-2, 15-18-15, 15 27-4-263, 49-4-146.3, and Title 16 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to inspection warrants for the Department of Agriculture, inspection warrants for pacific white 16 17 shrimp aquaculture; inspection warrants for the environmental protection division, the chief 18 assistant district attorney, inspection warrants for the Aquaculture Development 19 Commission, forfeiture of property and proceeds obtained through Medicaid fraud, and 20 crimes and offenses, respectively, so as to conform cross-references; to amend Title 17 of the 21 Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to criminal procedure, so as to require a 22 procedure for enhancing witness identification accuracy; to provide for definitions; to 23 provide for written policies relating to witness identification protocol; to provide for policy 24 requirements; to prohibit suppression of evidence under certain circumstances; to provide for 25 related matters; to provide for an effective date, a delayed effective date, and applicability; 26 to repeal conflicting laws; and for other purposes.

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BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF GEORGIA:

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28	PART I
29	SEARCH, SEIZURE, WIRETAP
30	SECTION 1-1.
31	Chapter 5 of Title 17 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to search and
32	seizure, is amended by revising Article 1, relating to searches without warrants, as follows:
33	"ARTICLE 1
34	17-5-1.
35	As used in this article, the term:
36	(1) 'Another state' means:
37	(A) A state of the United States other than Georgia;
38	(B) The District of Columbia; and
39	(C) Puerto Rico, the United States Virgin Islands, or any territory or insular possession
40	subject to the jurisdiction of the United States, including an Indian tribe or band or
41	Alaskan native village, which is recognized by federal law or formally acknowledged
42	by a state.
43	(2) 'Certified peace officer' means any individual who has been subject to the
44	requirements of Chapter 8 of Title 35, the 'Georgia Peace Officer Standards and Training
45	Act,' and has completed the training required by such chapter.
46	(3) 'Contraband' means any item, substance, object, thing, or matter, the possession of
47	which is unlawful under the laws of this state or of the United States.
48	(4) 'Judicial officer' means:
49	(A) Any judge of a court of this state;
50	(B) Any other official authorized to hold a court of inquiry to examine into an arrest
51	of an offender for a violation of the criminal laws of this state; or
52	(C) Any retired or senior judge or judge emeritus of a court of record when an active
53	judge of a court of record in the jurisdiction wherein a search warrant is sought
54	authorizes such judge, in writing, to issue search warrants or conduct hearings provided
55	for in Article 1 or 2 of this chapter.
56	(5) 'Peace officer' shall have the same meaning as set forth in Code Section 35-8-2 and
57	shall also mean:
58	(A) A certified peace officer employed by a university, college, or school pursuant to
59	Code Section 20-3-72 or Chapter 8 of Title 20;
60	(B) A certified peace officer employed by a district attorney or solicitor-general; or

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- (C) A probation supervisor or probation officer employed by the Department of
- 62 <u>Corrections, the Department of Juvenile Justice, or any political subdivision of this</u>
 63 <u>state.</u>
- 64 (6) 'Property' means instruments, articles or things, any information or data, and anything
 65 that is tangible or intangible, corporeal or incorporeal, visible or invisible.
- 66 (7) 'Stolen property' means any property unlawfully taken, converted, embezzled, or
- 67 <u>otherwise obtained without permission or right, in violation of the laws of this state,</u>
- 68 <u>another state, the United States, or any foreign nation.</u>
- 69 <u>17-5-2.</u>
- 70 (a) <u>A</u> When a lawful arrest is effected a peace officer may reasonably search the person
- an individual lawfully arrested and the area within the such person's immediate presence
 for the purpose of:
- 73 (1) Protecting the <u>peace</u> officer from attack;
- 74 (2) Preventing the person <u>individual</u> from escaping;
- 75 (3) Discovering or seizing the fruits of the crime for which the person has been arrested;
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or

- (4) Discovering or seizing any instruments, articles, or things property which are is being
 used or which may have been used in the commission of the crime for which the person
 has been arrested.
- 80 (b) <u>Nothing</u> When the peace officer is in the process of effecting a lawful search, nothing
- in this Code section shall be construed to preclude him <u>a peace officer</u>, in the course of a
 <u>lawful search</u>, from discovering or seizing any stolen or embezzled property, any item,
- 83 substance, object, thing, or matter, the possession of which is unlawful, or any item,
- 84 substance, object, thing, or matter, other than the private papers of any person, which is
- 85 tangible contraband, or any other property that is evidence of the commission of a crime
- 86 against the laws of this state, the United States, or another state.
- 87 17-5-2. <u>17-5-3.</u>

An inventory of all instruments, articles, or things property that is seized in a search without a search warrant shall be given to the person individual arrested and a copy thereof delivered to the judicial officer before whom the person individual arrested is taken. If the person individual arrested is released without a charge being preferred against him, all instruments, articles, or things such individual, all property seized, other than contraband or stolen property, shall be returned to him such individual upon release."

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94	SECTION 1-2.
95	Said chapter is further amended by revising Article 2, relating to searches with warrants, as
96	follows:
97	"ARTICLE 2
98	Part 1
99	17-5-20.
100	As used in this article, the term:
101	(1) 'Another state' shall have the same meaning as set forth in Code Section 17-5-1.
102	(2) 'Contraband' shall have the same meaning as set forth in Code Section 17-5-1.
103	(3) 'Device' means an instrument or apparatus used for overhearing, recording,
104	intercepting, or transmitting sounds or for observing, photographing, videotaping,
105	recording, or transmitting visual images and which involves in its operation electricity,
106	electronics, or infrared, laser, or similar beams. Without limiting the generality of the
107	foregoing, the term 'device' shall specifically include any camera, photographic
108	equipment, video equipment, or other similar equipment or any electronic, mechanical,
109	or other apparatus which can be used to intercept a wire communication, oral
110	communication, or electronic communication other than:
111	(A) Any telephone or telegraph instrument, equipment, or facility or any component
112	thereof:
113	(i) Furnished to the subscriber or user by a provider of electronic communication
114	service in the ordinary course of its business and being used by the subscriber or user
115	in the ordinary course of its business or furnished by such subscriber or user for
116	connection to the facilities of such service and used in the ordinary course of its
117	business; or
118	(ii) Being used by a provider of electronic communication service in the ordinary
119	course of its business or by an investigative or peace officer in the ordinary course of
120	his or her duties; or
121	(B) A hearing aid or similar device being used to correct subnormal hearing to not
122	better than normal;
123	(C) Focusing, lighting, or illuminating equipment or optical magnifying equipment;
124	and
125	(D) A pen register or trap and trace device.
126	(4) 'Electronic communication' means any transfer of signs, signals, writing, images,
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128	electromagnetic, photoelectronic, or photo-optical system that affects interstate or foreign
129	commerce, but shall not include:
130	(A) Any wire communication or oral communication;
131	(B) Any communication made through a tone-only paging device;
132	(C) Any communication from a tracking device; or
133	(D) Electronic funds transfer information stored by a financial institution in a
134	communications system used for the electronic storage and transfer of funds.
135	(5) 'Electronic communication service' means any service which provides to users
136	thereof the ability to send or receive wire communications or electronic communications.
137	(6) 'Judicial officer' shall have the same meaning as set forth in Code Section 17-5-1.
138	(7) 'Oral communication' means any oral communication uttered by an individual
139	exhibiting an expectation that such communication is not subject to interception under
140	circumstances justifying such expectation, but such term shall not include any electronic
141	communication.
142	(8) 'Peace officer' shall have the same meaning as set forth in Code Section 17-5-1.
143	(9) 'Pen register' means a device or process that records or decodes dialing, routing,
144	addressing, or signaling information transmitted by an instrument or facility from which
145	an electronic communication or wire communication is transmitted; provided, however,
146	that such information shall not include the contents of any communication. Such term
147	shall not include any device or process used by a provider or customer of an electronic
148	communication service for billing, or recording as an incident to billing, for
149	communications services provided by such provider nor any device or process used by
150	a provider or customer of an electronic communication service for cost accounting or
151	similar purposes in the ordinary course of its business.
152	(10) 'Property' shall have the same meaning as set forth in Code Section 17-5-1.
153	(11) 'Remote computing service' means the provision to the public of computer storage
154	or processing services by means of an electronic communications system.
155	(12) 'Stolen property' shall have the same meaning as set forth in Code Section 17-5-1.
156	(13) 'Tracking device' means any device that permits the tracking of the movement of an
157	individual or physical object.
158	(14) 'Trap and trace device' means a device or process that captures the incoming
159	electronic or other impulses which identify the originating number or other dialing,
160	routing, addressing, and signaling information reasonably likely to identify the source of
161	a wire communication or electronic communication; provided, however, that such
162	information shall not include the contents of any communication.
163	(15) 'Wire communication' means any aural transfer made in whole or in part through the
164	use of facilities for the transmission of communications by the aid of wire, cable, or other

- like connection between the point of origin and the point of reception, including the use
 of such connection in a switching station, furnished or operated by persons engaged in
 providing or operating such facilities for the transmission of interstate or foreign
- 168 communications or communications affecting interstate or foreign commerce.

169 <u>17-5-21.</u>

- 170 (a) A search warrant may <u>shall</u> be issued only upon the application of an officer of this
- 171 state or its political subdivisions charged with the duty of enforcing the criminal laws or
- a currently certified request of a peace officer engaged in the course of official duty,
- 173 whether said officer is employed by a law enforcement unit of:
- 174 (1) The state or a political subdivision of the state; or
- 175 (2) A university, college, or school.
- (b) A search warrant shall not be issued upon the application of a private citizen or for his
- 177 <u>a private citizen's</u> aid in the enforcement of personal, civil, or property rights.
- 178 17-5-21. <u>17-5-22.</u>

179 (a) <u>Any peace officer seeking a search warrant while engaged in the course of official duty</u> 180 shall submit a written request for such warrant, Upon the written complaint of any certified 181 peace officer of this state or its political subdivisions charged with the duty of enforcing 182 the criminal laws and otherwise as authorized in Code Section 17-5-20 under oath or 183 affirmation, which states facts sufficient to show probable cause that a crime is being 184 committed, or has been committed, or is about to be committed and which particularly 185 describes the place or person, or both, to be searched and things the individuals or property 186 to be seized, any. Such request for a search warrant may include related documents and 187 oral testimony. Any judicial officer authorized to hold a court of inquiry to examine into 188 an arrest of an offender against the penal laws, referred to in this Code section as 'judicial 189 officer,' may issue a search warrant for the search or seizure of the following:

- (1) Any instruments, articles, or things, including the private papers of any person, which
 are property that is designed, intended for use, or which have has been used in the
 commission of the offense in connection with for which the search warrant is issued;
- (2) Any person individual who has been kidnapped or unlawfully restrained in violation
 of the laws of this state, who has been kidnapped in another jurisdiction state and is now
 concealed within this state, or any human fetus or human corpse;
- 196 (3) Stolen or embezzled property;
- (4) Any item, substance, object, thing, or matter, the possession of which is unlawful
 <u>contraband</u>; or

- (5) Any item, substance, object, thing, or matter, other than the private papers of any
 person, which is tangible property that is evidence of the commission of the crime for
 which probable cause is shown; or
 (6) Another person's property when an arrest warrant has been issued for an individual
- 202 (6) Another person's property when an arrest warrant has been issued for an individual
 203 who is located within such other person's property.

(b) When the peace officer is in the process of effecting a lawful search, nothing in this
Code section shall be construed to preclude him preclude such officer from discovering or
seizing any stolen or embezzled property, any item, substance, object, thing, or matter, the
possession of which is unlawful, or any item, substance, object, thing, or matter, other than
the private papers of any person, which is tangible contraband, or any other property that
is evidence of the commission of a crime against the laws of this state, the United States,
or another state.

- 211 (c) Other personnel, sworn or unsworn, acting under the direction of a peace officer 212 executing a search warrant may assist in the execution of such warrant. While in the 213 process of effecting a lawful arrest or search, nothing in this Code section nor in Code 214 Section 16-11-62 shall be construed to preclude the use of any device by the peace officer 215 executing the search warrant or other personnel assisting in the execution of such warrant. 216 Any retired judge or judge emeritus of a state court may issue search warrants as authorized 217 by this Code section if authorized in writing to do so by an active judge of the state court 218 of the county wherein the warrants are to be issued. 219 (d) Notwithstanding any provisions of Code Section 17-5-20 17-5-21 or other provisions 220 of this Code section to the contrary, with respect to the execution of a search warrant by 221 a certified peace officer employed by a university, college, or school, which search warrant
- will be executed beyond the arrest jurisdiction of a campus policeman police officer pursuant to Code Section 20-3-72, the execution of such search warrant shall be made jointly by the certified peace officer employed by a university, college, or school and a certified peace officer of a law enforcement unit of the political subdivision wherein the search will be conducted.
- 227 17-5-21.1. <u>17-5-23.</u>

(a) A judge of any court in this state judicial officer authorized to issue search warrants
may, in lieu of receiving a written request pursuant to Code Section 17-5-21 17-5-22 may,
as an alternative to other laws relating to the issuance of search warrants, receive and
conduct such applications requests for the issuance of search warrants by video conference.
The issuance of a search warrant by video conference shall be valid irrespective of the
physical location of the judge judicial officer at the time of the video conference, provided
that the judge judicial officer issuing the search warrant is authorized by law to issue such

- warrant, and, at the time such warrant is issued, he or she is physically located within thisstate.
- (b) Search warrant applications requests heard by video conference shall be conducted in
 a manner to ensure that the judge judicial officer conducting the hearing has visual and
 audible contact with all affiants and witnesses giving testimony.
- 240 (c) The affiant participating in a search warrant application request by video conference 241 shall sign the affidavit for a search warrant and any related documents by any reasonable means which identifies the affiant, including, but not limited to, his or her typewritten 242 243 name, signature affixed by electronic stylus, or any other reasonable means which that 244 identifies the person individual signing the affidavit and any related documents. The judge 245 judicial officer participating in a search warrant application request by video conference 246 shall sign the affidavit for a search warrant, the search warrant, and any related documents 247 by any reasonable means which identifies the judge judicial officer, including, but not 248 limited to, his or her typewritten name, signature affixed by electronic stylus, or any other 249 reasonable means which that identifies the judicial officer signing the affidavit and warrant 250 and any related documents. Such applications requests shall be deemed to be written within the meaning of Code Section 17-5-21 17-5-22. Such authorization shall be deemed 251 252 to comply with the issuance requirements provided for in Code Section 17-5-22 17-5-24. 253 (d) A judge judicial officer hearing matters pursuant to this Code section shall administer 254 an oath to any person individual testifying by means of a video conference.
- (e) A video recording of the application search warrant request hearing and any documents
 submitted in conjunction with the application such request shall be maintained as part of
 the record.
- 258 17-5-22. <u>17-5-24.</u>

259 (a) All search warrants shall state the time and date of issuance and are the warrants of the 260 judicial officer issuing the same and not the warrants of the court in which he such officer 261 is then sitting. Such warrants need not bear the seal of the court or clerk thereof. Until the search warrant has been executed or has been returned as not executed, the search warrant 262 and all supporting documents, recordings, and transcripts shall not be subject to public 263 inspection. The search warrant, the complaint on which the warrant is issued, the affidavit 264 265 or affidavits and all supporting the documentation for such warrant, and the returns shall 266 be filed with the clerk of the court of the judicial officer issuing the same, or with the court if there is no clerk, at the time the within a reasonable time after the search warrant has 267 been executed or has been returned or has been returned 'not executed'; provided, however, 268 269 that the judicial officer shall keep a docket record of all search warrants issued by him, and

- 270 upon issuing any warrant he shall immediately record the same, within a reasonable time, 271 on the docket. 272 (b)(1) The prosecuting attorney may petition the court ex parte for a search warrant and 273 all supporting documentation therefor, including recordings or transcripts supporting such 274 warrant, to be filed under seal with the clerk when the prosecuting attorney can show 275 reasonable cause to believe that disclosure of the search warrant and supporting 276 documentation therefor may: (A) Endanger the life or physical safety of an individual; 277 278 (B) Result in the flight of an individual from prosecution; 279 (C) Lead to the destruction of or tampering with evidence; 280 (D) Cause the intimidation of potential witnesses; 281 (E) Seriously jeopardize an investigation; or (F) Unduly delay a trial. 282 283 (2) A judicial officer may order that a search warrant and all supporting documentation 284 therefor, including recordings or transcripts supporting such warrant, the return for such 285 warrant, and the petition of the prosecuting attorney requesting sealing be filed under seal with the clerk until such time as the judicial officer may direct, up to an initial period of 286 287 60 days. Upon application by the prosecuting attorney, the judicial officer may extend 288 the initial sealing for additional periods not to exceed 60 days; provided, however, that 289 such sealing shall not extend beyond the return of the indictment or the filing of an 290 accusation in which property or evidence seized may be admitted into evidence.
- 291 17-5-23. <u>17-5-25.</u>
- 292 <u>A The search warrant shall command the peace officer directed to execute the same to</u>
- search the place or person particularly described in the warrant and to seize the instruments,
- 294 articles, or things individuals or property particularly described in the search warrant. <u>A</u>
- 295 <u>search warrant may be executed at any reasonable time.</u>
- 296 17-5-24. <u>17-5-26.</u>
- 297 (a) <u>A</u> The search warrant shall be issued in duplicate and shall be directed for execution
 298 to all peace officers of this state. However, provided, however, that the judicial officer
- 299 may direct the search warrant to be executed by any peace officer named specially therein.
- 300 17-5-25.
- 301 (b) <u>A</u> The search warrant shall be executed within ten days from the time of issuance. If
 302 the search warrant is executed, the duplicate copy shall be left with any person from whom
- 303 any instruments, articles, or things are individual or property was seized; or, if no person

304 <u>individual</u> is available, the copy shall be left in a conspicuous place on the premises from

305 which the instruments, articles, or things were seized individual or property was seized;

- 306 provided, however, that no copy shall be left in a conspicuous place if the judicial officer
- 307 issuing such warrant has ordered the search warrant to be sealed pursuant to Code Section
- 308 <u>17-5-24</u>.
- 309 (c) Any search warrant not executed within ten days from the time of issuance shall be
- 310 void and shall be returned to the court of the judicial officer issuing the same as 'not
- 311 executed.'
- 312 17-5-26.
- 313 The search warrant may be executed at any reasonable time.
- 314 17-5-27.

315 (a) All necessary and reasonable force may be used to effect an entry into any building or
 316 property place to be searched or part thereof to execute a search warrant if, after verbal
 317 notice or an attempt in good faith to give verbal notice by the peace officer directed to
 318 execute the same of his the peace officer's authority and purpose:

- 319 (1) <u>The peace officer</u> He is refused admittance;
- 320 (2) The person or persons individuals within the building or property place to be
 321 searched or part thereof refuse to acknowledge and answer the verbal notice or the
 322 presence of the person or persons individuals therein is unknown to the peace officer; or
 323 (3) The building or property place to be searched or part thereof is not then occupied by
 324 any person.
- 325 17-5-28.
- (b) In the execution of the search warrant the <u>peace</u> officer executing the same may
 reasonably detain or search any <u>person individual</u> in the place at the time:
- 328 (1) To protect himself the peace officer and any other individual assisting in the
 329 execution of such warrant from attack; or
- 330 (2) To prevent the disposal or concealment of any instruments, articles, or things
 331 particularly described in the search warrant property or contraband.
- 332 17-5-29. <u>17-5-28.</u>
- A written return of all instruments, articles, or things property seized shall be made without
- unnecessary delay before the <u>any</u> judicial officer named in the warrant or before any court
 of competent jurisdiction <u>of the same court as the judicial officer that issued the search</u>
- 336 <u>warrant</u>. An inventory of any instruments, articles, or things seized property seized shall
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- 337 be filed with the return and signed under oath by the peace officer executing the warrant.
- If the return has been sealed pursuant to Code Section 17-5-24, the inventory shall also be 338
- 339 sealed. Unless the return has been sealed, the The judicial officer or court shall, upon
- 340 request, deliver a copy of the inventory to the persons from whom or from whose premises
- 341 the instruments, articles, or things were property was taken and to the applicant for the 342 search warrant.

343 17-5-30. <u>17-5-29.</u>

- 344 (a) A defendant aggrieved by an unlawful search and seizure may move the court for the 345 return of property, the possession of which is not otherwise unlawful, and to suppress as 346 evidence anything so obtained on the grounds that:
- 347 (1) The search and seizure without a warrant was illegal; or
- 348 (2) The search and seizure with a warrant was illegal because the warrant is insufficient 349 on its face, there was not probable cause for the issuance of the warrant, or the warrant 350 was illegally executed.
- 351 (b) The motion shall be in writing and state facts showing that the search and seizure were was unlawful. Such motion shall be filed within ten days after arraignment, unless the time 352 353 for filing such motion is extended by the court. The judge court shall conduct and receive 354 evidence out of the presence at a hearing on such motion prior to the empaneling of the jury on any issue of fact necessary to determine the motion; and the such motion. The burden 355 356 of proving that the search and seizure were was lawful shall be on the state. If the motion 357 is granted, the state may appeal as provided in Code Section 5-7-1. The property shall be 358 restored, if the state does not appeal or if the order is affirmed on appeal unless such property is otherwise subject to lawful detention; and it shall not be admissible in evidence 359 360 against the movant in any trial except as impeachment or rebuttal evidence. (c) The motion shall be made only before a court with jurisdiction to try the offense. If a
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- criminal accusation is filed or if an indictment or special presentment is returned by a grand 362 363 jury, the motion shall be made only before the court in which the accusation, indictment,
- 364 or special presentment is filed and pending.
- 365 17-5-31.

(d) No search warrant shall be quashed or evidence shall be suppressed or property 366 returned because of a technical irregularity not affecting the substantial rights of the 367 accused. 368

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369 17-5-32. <u>17-5-30.</u>

(a) As used in this Code section, the term 'documentary evidence' includes but is shall not
<u>be</u> limited to writings, documents, blueprints, drawings, photographs, computer printouts,
microfilms, X-rays, files, diagrams, ledgers, books, tapes, audio and video recordings, and
papers of any type or description.

374 (b) Notwithstanding any other provision of law, no search and seizure without a search 375 warrant shall be conducted and no search warrant shall be issued for any documentary evidence in the possession of an attorney who is not a criminal suspect, unless the 376 377 application request for the search warrant specifies that the place to be searched is in the 378 possession or custody of an attorney and also shows that there is probable cause to believe 379 that the documentary evidence will be destroyed or secreted in the event a search warrant 380 is not issued. This Code section shall not impair the ability to serve search warrants in 381 cases in which the search is directed against an attorney if there is probable cause to suspect such attorney has committed a crime. This Code section shall not impair the ability 382 383 to serve subpoenas on nonsuspect attorneys.

(c) In any case in which there is probable cause to believe that documentary evidence will
be destroyed or secreted if a search warrant is not issued, no search warrant shall be issued
or be executed for any documentary evidence in the possession or custody of an attorney
who is not a criminal suspect, unless:

- (1) At <u>at</u> the time the <u>search</u> warrant is issued, the court shall appoint <u>judicial officer</u> 388 389 appoints a special master to accompany the person peace officer who will serve the search 390 warrant. The special master shall be an attorney who is a member in good standing of the 391 State Bar of Georgia and who has been selected from a list of qualified attorneys 392 maintained by the State Bar of Georgia. An attorney shall not be appointed as a special 393 master if there is a significant risk that his or her own interests or duties to another client, 394 former client, or a third person will be materially and adversely affected by such 395 appointment. Upon service of the search warrant, the special master shall inform the party person served of the specific items property being sought and that the party person shall 396 397 have the opportunity to provide the items property requested. If the party person, in the judgment of the special master, fails to provide the items property requested, the special 398 399 master shall conduct a search for the items property in the areas indicated in the search 400 warrant;.
- 401 (2)(d) If the party person who has been served with a search warrant states that an item or
 402 items property should not be disclosed, such item or items property shall be sealed by the
 403 special master and taken to the superior court in which the accusation, indictment, or
 404 special presentment is filed and pending for a hearing in such court. At the hearing the
 405 party person whose premises has been searched shall be entitled to raise any issues which

- 406 may be raised pursuant to Code Section 17-5-30 17-5-29 as well as claims that the item or
 407 items are property is privileged or claims that the item or items are property is inadmissible
 408 because they were it was obtained in violation of this Code section. Any such hearing shall
 409 be held in the superior court;
- 410 (3)(e) A search warrant issued pursuant to this Code section shall: Any such warrant must,
 411 whenever
- (1) Whenever practicable, be served during normal business hours. The law enforcement
 officer or prosecutor peace officer serving the search warrant shall not participate in the
 search but may accompany the special master when the special master is conducting the
 search. The prosecuting attorney may designate an attorney or investigator employed by
- 416 <u>such prosecuting attorney to observe the execution of such search warrant;</u>
- 417 (4)(2) Be Any such warrant must be served upon a party person who appears to have
 418 possession or control of the items property sought. If, after reasonable efforts, the party
 419 person serving the warrant is unable to locate any such person, the special master shall
 420 seal and return to the court for determination by the court any items property which
 421 appear appears to be privileged; and
- 422 (5)(3) Be Any such warrant shall be issued only by the <u>a state or</u> superior court judge.
 423 At the time of applying for such a warrant, the law enforcement officer or prosecutor
- 424 <u>peace officer or prosecuting attorney</u> shall submit a written search plan designed to
 425 minimize the intrusiveness of the search.
- 426 (f) When the <u>a search</u> warrant is executed <u>pursuant to this Code section</u>, the special master
 427 carrying out the search shall have a duty to make reasonable efforts to minimize the
 428 intrusiveness of the search.
- 429 (d)(g) Notwithstanding <u>subsection (b) of Code Section 17-5-29 or</u> any provision of law to
- 430 the contrary, evidence obtained in violation of this Code section shall be excluded and
- 431 suppressed from the prosecution's case-in-chief or in rebuttal, and such evidence shall not
- 432 be admissible either as substantive evidence or for impeachment purposes.
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<u>Part 2</u>

434 <u>17-5-40.</u>

435 (a) The General Assembly recognizes that the rights of citizens of this state to be secure

- 436 in their persons, homes, papers, and effects from unreasonable searches conducted by
- 437 government agents is essential to the concepts of personal liberty and privacy.
- 438 (b) The General Assembly further recognizes that electronic communication devices,
- 439 including, but not limited to, mobile telephones, e-mail, social media, and other evolving

440 forms of communication, are used and exploited with increasing frequency and

441 <u>sophistication to conduct criminal activity in this state.</u>

- 442 (c) It is the intent of the General Assembly in enacting this part to provide peace officers
- 443 and prosecuting attorneys with the means to conduct legitimate investigations of criminal
- 444 activity in which electronic communications are being used under appropriate judicial
- 445 <u>supervision in order to protect the rights of the citizens of this state.</u>

446 <u>17-5-41.</u>

- 447 <u>As used in this part, the term 'district attorney' includes an acting district attorney or a chief</u>
- 448 <u>assistant district attorney designated to act for the district attorney during the temporary</u>
- 449 <u>absence of such district attorney pursuant to Code Section 15-18-15.</u>
- 450 <u>17-5-42.</u>

451 (a) A peace officer, a prosecuting attorney, or the Attorney General may require the

452 <u>disclosure of stored wire communications or electronic communications, as well as</u>

453 transactional records pertaining thereto by subpoena, court order, or search warrant as

- 454 provided by the laws of the United States.
- (b) A provider of electronic communication service or remote computing service shall
 provide the contents of, and transactional records pertaining to, wire communications and
 electronic communications in its possession or reasonably accessible thereto when a
 requesting peace officer, a prosecuting attorney, or the Attorney General complies with the
 provisions for access thereto set forth by the laws of the United States.
- 460 (c) Search warrants for production of stored wire communications or electronic
 461 communications and transactional records pertaining thereto shall have state-wide
 462 application or application as provided by the laws of the United States when issued by a
 463 judicial officer with jurisdiction over the criminal offense under investigation and to which
 464 <u>such records relate.</u>
- 465 (d) A judicial officer with jurisdiction over the criminal offense under investigation and
- 466 <u>to which transactional records relate may issue an order requiring the disclosure of stored</u>
- 467 <u>wire communications or electronic communications, as well as transactional records</u>
- 468 pertaining thereto, to the extent and under the procedures and conditions provided for by
- 469 <u>the laws of the United States</u>. Such orders for production of stored wire communications
- 470 or electronic communications and transactional records pertaining thereto shall have
- 471 <u>state-wide application or application as provided by the laws of the United States when</u>
- 472 <u>issued by a judicial officer with jurisdiction over the criminal offense under investigation</u>
- 473 <u>and to which such records relate.</u>

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- 474 (e) A subpoena for the production of stored wire communications or electronic
- 475 communications and transactional records pertaining thereto may be issued at any time
- 476 <u>upon a showing by a peace officer, a prosecuting attorney, or the Attorney General that the</u>
- 477 <u>subpoenaed material relates to a pending criminal investigation.</u>
- 478 (f) A violation of this Code section shall be punishable as contempt.

479 <u>17-5-43.</u>

(a) A search warrant issued by a judge of the superior court having jurisdiction over the 480 481 crime under investigation or a full-time judge of a state court having jurisdiction over the 482 crime under investigation may authorize the installation or monitoring of a tracking device, 483 provided that such warrant identifies the individual or physical object to be tracked and 484 specifies a reasonable length of time that the tracking device is to be used, which time shall 485 not exceed 45 days from the date such warrant was issued. The court may, for good cause, 486 grant one or more extensions for a reasonable length of time not to exceed 45 days each. 487 (b) Any required installation of a tracking device shall take place in any county within the 488 jurisdiction of such judge, but such device may be monitored from any location within the jurisdiction of this state. Unless otherwise prohibited by federal law, such device may be 489 490 monitored from within this state even if such device is transported outside this state. 491 (c) A tracking device search warrant shall command a peace officer to: 492 (1) Complete any installation or activation authorized by such warrant within ten days 493 from the date such warrant was issued; and (2) Make a written return of such warrant before the judicial officer named in such 494 495 warrant or before any court of competent jurisdiction to the judge designated in such 496 warrant. 497 (d) A peace officer executing a tracking device search warrant shall enter on the return the 498 exact date and time the tracking device was installed, or monitoring commenced if no 499 installation was required, and dates and times during which it was used. 500 (e) Within ten days after use of the tracking device has ended, the peace officer executing 501 the tracking device search warrant shall return it to the judicial officer named in such 502 warrant or to any court of competent jurisdiction. A peace officer may make such return 503 by reliable electronic means. 504 (f)(1) Within ten days after use of the tracking device has ended, the peace officer 505 executing a tracking device search warrant shall serve a copy of such warrant on the 506 person who was tracked or whose physical object was tracked. Service may be 507 accomplished by: 508 (A) Personally delivering a copy of such warrant to the person who, or whose physical 509 object, was tracked;

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- 510 (B) Leaving a copy of such warrant at the person's residence or usual place of abode 511 with an individual of suitable age and discretion who resides at that location; or 512 (C) Mailing a copy of such warrant to the person's last known address. 513 (2) Upon request of the prosecuting attorney, the judge to whom the return of the 514 tracking device search warrant is made may delay service of a copy of such warrant as 515 provided in subsection (g) of this Code section. 516 (g) The judge to whom the return of the tracking device search warrant is made may order 517 a delay of service of a copy of such warrant on the person who was tracked or whose 518 physical object was tracked. The judge shall enter such an order if the judge determines 519 that there is reason to believe that notification of the tracking device search warrant may: 520 (1) Endanger the life or physical safety of an individual; 521 (2) Result in the flight of an individual from prosecution; 522 (3) Lead to the destruction of or tampering with evidence; (4) Cause the intimidation of potential witnesses; 523 524 (5) Seriously jeopardize an investigation; or 525 (6) Unduly delay a trial. 526 <u>17-5-44.</u> 527 Any district attorney having jurisdiction over the prosecution of a crime under investigation or the Attorney General is authorized to make application for an order or an extension of 528 529 an order authorizing or approving the installation and use of a pen register or a trap and 530 trace device to a judge of the superior court of the same judicial circuit as the district attorney, or in the case of the Attorney General, in any judicial circuit; and such court shall 531 532 be authorized to enter an order approving the use of a pen register or a trap and trace 533 device, to the extent the same is consistent with and permitted by the laws of the United 534 States. Such order shall have state-wide application and the monitoring of a pen register
- 535 or trap and trace device shall be permitted in any location in this state.

536 <u>17-5-45.</u>

537 Any peace officer, specially designated in writing for such purpose by the Attorney
 538 General or by a district attorney, who requires the installation and use of a pen register or

- 539 <u>a trap and trace device, before an order authorizing such installation and use can, with due</u>
- 540 <u>diligence</u>, be obtained, may have installed and use a pen register or trap and trace device
- 541 if he or she reasonably determines that there are grounds upon which an order could be
- 542 <u>entered under the laws of the United States to authorize such installation and use if, within</u>
- 543 <u>48 hours of the time the pen register or trap and trace device is installed, an order</u>

- 544 approving the installation and use is issued in accordance with Code Section 17-5-44 and
- 545 <u>he or she reasonably determines that a situation exists that involves:</u>
- 546 (1) Immediate danger of death or serious bodily injury to any individual; or
- 547 (2) Conspiratorial activities characteristic of organized crime.

548 <u>17-5-46.</u>

- 549 (a) Except only as provided in subsection (b) of this Code section, nothing in this part or Part 1 of Article 3 of Chapter 11 of Title 16 shall apply to a duly constituted peace officer 550 551 in the performance of his or her official duties in ferreting out offenders or suspected 552 offenders of the law or in secretly watching an individual suspected of violating the laws 553 of this state, another state, or the United States, or any subdivision thereof, for the purpose 554 of apprehending such suspected violator. (b) When in the course of his or her official duties, a peace officer who uses any device, 555 when such use would otherwise constitute a violation of Code Section 16-11-62, shall act 556
- 557 <u>in compliance with the provisions provided for in this part.</u>
- 558 (c) Upon written application, under oath, of the district attorney having jurisdiction over
- 559 prosecution of a crime under investigation or the Attorney General made before a judge of
- 560 <u>superior court having jurisdiction over prosecution of a crime under investigation, such</u>
- 561 <u>court may issue an investigation warrant permitting the use of a device for the surveillance</u>
- 562 of an individual or place to the extent the same is consistent with and subject to the terms,
- 563 <u>conditions, and procedures provided for under the laws of the United States</u>. Such warrant
- 564 <u>shall have state-wide application and monitoring of communications shall be permitted in</u>
- 565 <u>any location in this state.</u>
- 566 (d) Evidence obtained in conformity with this part shall be admissible only in the courts
- 567 of this state having felony and misdemeanor jurisdiction.
- 568 (e) A good faith reliance on a court order or legislative authorization shall constitute a
- 569 <u>complete defense to any civil or criminal action brought under this part or under any other</u>
- 570 <u>law.</u>
- 571 <u>17-5-47.</u>
- 572 (a) As used in this Code section, the term 'emergency situation' means a situation that
 573 involves the immediate danger of death or serious bodily injury to any individual.
- 574 (b) Notwithstanding any other provision of this part, in the event that the Attorney General
- 575 <u>or a district attorney of the judicial circuit having jurisdiction over an emergency situation</u>
- 576 determines that such emergency situation requires the immediate interception of wire
- 577 <u>communications, oral communications, or electronic communications or the immediate</u>
- 578 <u>observation, monitoring, or recording of the activities of any individual involved in such</u>

- 579 emergency situation in violation of the provisions of Code Section 16-11-62 before an 580 order authorizing such surveillance or monitoring can, with due diligence, be obtained, then 581 any peace officer specifically designated by the individual making such determination may 582 utilize any device to intercept the wire communications, or al communications, or electronic communications or to observe, monitor, or record the activities of the person or persons 583 584 involved in such emergency situation, provided that grounds exist upon which an 585 investigation warrant pursuant to Code Section 17-5-46 could be issued and that an application for such warrant is made within 48 hours after such surveillance or monitoring 586 587 commences. 588 (c) In the event that an application for an investigation warrant made pursuant to this Code section is granted, then the surveillance or monitoring shall be conducted in accordance 589 590 with Code Section 17-5-46, except that such surveillance or monitoring shall continue only 591 so long as the emergency situation exists. 592 (d) In the event that an application for an investigation warrant made pursuant to this Code 593 section is denied or in any event where the surveillance or monitoring is terminated without 594 an investigation warrant having been issued, the contents of any intercepted 595 communications or other surveillance effected pursuant to this Code section shall be 596 confidential and shall not be disclosed or admissible in any court of this state except to
- 597 prove violations of this part.

598 <u>17-5-48.</u>

599 (a) Nothing in Code Section 16-11-62 shall prohibit an individual from intercepting a wire

600 <u>communication, oral communication, or electronic communication when such individual</u>

601 is a party to the communication or one of the parties to the communication has given prior

602 <u>consent to such interception.</u>

603 (b) In accordance with subsection (c) or (d) of this Code section, the wire communication, 604 oral communication, or electronic communication to which a child under the age of 18 605 years is a party may be recorded and divulged, and such recording and dissemination may 606 be done by a private citizen, law enforcement agency, or prosecuting attorney's office. 607 Nothing in this subsection shall be construed to require that the recording device be 608 activated by such child. The authorization for the recording or divulging of the 609 conversations of a child under the age of 18 years conducted by wire communication, oral 610 communication, or electronic communication shall be given only by order of a judge of a superior court upon written application, as provided in subsection (c) of this Code section, 611 612 or by a parent, guardian, or legal custodian of such child as provided in subsection (d) of 613 this Code section. Such recording shall not be used in any prosecution of the child in any 614 delinquency or criminal proceeding. An application to a judge of the superior court made

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615	pursuant to this Code section need not comply with the procedures set forth in Code
616	<u>Section 17-5-46.</u>
617	(c)(1) A judge to whom a written application has been made shall issue the order
618	provided by subsection (b) of this Code section only upon:
619	(A) Finding probable cause that a crime has been committed;
620	(B) Finding that the child understands that the conversation is to be recorded and that
621	such child agrees to participate; and
622	(C) Determining that participation is not harmful to such child.
623	(2) A true and correct copy of the recording provided for in subsection (b) of this Code
624	section shall be returned to the superior court judge who issued the order, and such copy
625	of the recording shall be kept under seal until further order of the court.
626	(d) The provisions of this article shall not be construed to prohibit a parent, guardian, or
627	legal custodian of a child under 18 years of age, with or without the consent of such child,
628	from monitoring or intercepting wire communications, oral communications, or electronic
629	communications of such minor child with another person by use of an extension phone
630	located within the family home, or electronic or other communications of such minor child
631	from within the family home, for the purpose of ensuring the welfare of such minor child.
632	If the parent, guardian, or legal custodian has a reasonable or good faith belief that such
633	communication is evidence of criminal conduct involving such child as a victim or an
634	attempt, conspiracy, or solicitation to involve such child in criminal activity affecting the
635	welfare or best interest of such child, the parent, guardian, or legal custodian may disclose
636	the contents of such communications to the district attorney or a peace officer. A recording
637	or other record of any such communication made by a parent, guardian, or legal custodian
638	in accordance with this subsection that contains evidence of criminal conduct involving
639	such child as a victim or an attempt, conspiracy, or solicitation to involve such child in
640	criminal activity shall be admissible in a judicial proceeding except as otherwise provided
641	in subsection (b) of this Code section.
642	<u>17-5-49.</u>

643 (a) No evidence obtained in a manner that violates this part shall be admissible in any 644 court of this state except to prove violations of this part.

- 645 (b) Nothing contained in this part shall permit the introduction into evidence of any
- 646 communication which is privileged by the laws of this state or by the decisions of the
 647 appellate courts thereof.
- 648 (c) Except as otherwise provided in subsection (f) of Code Section 17-5-42, any person
- 649 violating this part shall be guilty of a felony and, upon conviction thereof, shall be punished

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650	by imprisonment for not less than one nor more than five years or a fine not to exceed
651	<u>\$10,000.00, or both."</u>

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PART II WIRETAP CORRECTIONS **SECTION 2-1.**

Article 3 of Chapter 11 of Title 16 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to 655 invasions of privacy, is amended by revising Part 1, relating to wiretapping, eavesdropping, 656 surveillance, and related offenses, as follows: 657

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16-11-60. 659

As used within in this part, the term: 660

'Device' means an instrument or apparatus used for overhearing, recording, 661 (1)intercepting, or transmitting sounds or for observing, photographing, videotaping, 662 recording, or transmitting visual images and which involves in its operation electricity, 663 664 electronics, or infrared, laser, or similar beams. Without limiting the generality of the foregoing, the term 'device' shall specifically include any camera, photographic 665 666 equipment, video equipment, or other similar equipment or any electronic, mechanical, 667 or other apparatus which can be used to intercept a wire communication, oral 668 communication, or electronic communication other than:

669 (A) Any telephone or telegraph instrument, equipment, or facility or any component 670 thereof:

- (i) Furnished to the subscriber or user by a provider of wire or electronic 671 communication service in the ordinary course of its business and being used by the 672 subscriber or user in the ordinary course of its business or furnished by such 673 subscriber or user for connection to the facilities of such service and used in the 674 ordinary course of its business; or 675
- (ii) Being used by a provider of wire or electronic communication service in the 676 ordinary course of its business or by an investigative or law enforcement officer in the 677 ordinary course of his or her duties; or 678
- (B) A hearing aid or similar device being used to correct subnormal hearing to not 679 680 better than normal; and

(C) Focusing, lighting, or illuminating equipment; or optical magnifying equipment; 681 682 and

683	(D) A 'pen register' or 'trap and trace device' as defined in this Code section.
684	(2) 'Pen register' means a device or process which records or decodes dialing, routing,
685	addressing, or signaling information transmitted by an instrument or facility from which
686	a wire or electronic communication is transmitted; provided, however, that such
687	information shall not include the contents of any communication; but such term does not
688	include any device or process used by a provider or customer of a wire or electronic
689	communication service for billing, or recording as an incident to billing, for
690	communications services provided by such provider or any device or process used by a
691	provider or customer of a wire communication service for cost accounting or other like
692	purposes in the ordinary course its business.
693	(2) 'Electronic communication' shall have the same meaning as set forth in Code Section
694	<u>17-5-20.</u>
695	(3) 'Electronic communication service' shall have the same meaning as set forth in Code
696	<u>Section 17-5-20.</u>
697	(4) 'Oral communication' shall have the same meaning as set forth in Code Section
698	<u>17-5-20.</u>
699	(3)(5) 'Private place' means a place where one is entitled reasonably to expect to be safe
700	from casual or hostile intrusion or surveillance there is a reasonable expectation of
701	privacy.
702	(4) 'Trap and trace device' means a device or process which captures the incoming
703	electronic or other impulses which identify the originating number or other dialing,
704	routing, addressing, and signaling information reasonably likely to identify the source of
705	a wire or electronic communication; provided, however, that such information shall not
706	include the contents of any communication.
707	(6) 'Wire communication' shall have the same meaning as set forth in Code Section
708	<u>17-5-20.</u>

709 16-11-61.

(a) It shall be unlawful for any person to be a 'peeping Tom' on or about the premises of
another or to go about or upon the premises of another for the purpose of becoming a
'peeping Tom.'

(b) As used in this Code section, the term 'peeping Tom' means a person who peeps
through windows or doors, or other like places, on or about the premises of another for the
purpose of spying upon or invading the privacy of the persons spied upon and the doing of
any other acts of a similar nature which invade the privacy of such persons.

717 16-11-62.

718 It shall be unlawful for:

(1) Any person in a clandestine manner intentionally to overhear, transmit, or record or
attempt to overhear, transmit, or record the private conversation of another which shall
originate in any private place;

(2) Any person, through the use of any device, without the consent of all persons
observed, to observe, photograph, or record the activities of another which occur in any
private place and out of public view; provided, however, that it shall not be unlawful:

- (A) To use any device to observe, photograph, or record the activities of persons
 incarcerated in any jail, correctional institution, or any other facility in which persons
 who are charged with or who have been convicted of the commission of a crime are
 incarcerated, provided that such equipment shall not be used while the prisoner is
 discussing his or her case with his or her attorney;
- (B) For an owner or occupier of real property to use for security purposes, crime
 prevention, or crime detection any device to observe, photograph, or record the
 activities of persons who are on the property or an approach thereto in areas where there
 is no reasonable expectation of privacy; or
- (C) To use for security purposes, crime prevention, or crime detection any device to
 observe, photograph, or record the activities of persons who are within the curtilage of
 the residence of the person using such device. A photograph, videotape, or record made
 in accordance with this subparagraph, or a copy thereof, may be disclosed by such
 resident to the district attorney or a law enforcement officer and shall be admissible in
 a judicial proceeding, without the consent of any person observed, photographed, or
 recorded; or
- (D) For a law enforcement officer or his or her agent to use a device in the lawful
 performance of his or her official duties to observe, photograph, videotape, or record
 the activities of persons that occur in the presence of such officer or his or her agent;
 (3) Any person to go on or about the premises of another or any private place, except as
 otherwise provided by law, for the purpose of invading the privacy of others by
 eavesdropping upon their conversations or secretly observing their activities;
- (4) Any person intentionally and secretly to intercept by the use of any device,
 instrument, or apparatus the contents of a message sent by telephone, telegraph, letter, or
 by any other means of private communication;
- (5) Any person to divulge to any unauthorized person or authority the content or
 substance of any private message intercepted lawfully in the manner provided for in Code
 Section 16-11-65 16-11-64 or 17-5-46;

- (6) Any person to sell, give, or distribute, without legal authority, to any person or entity
- any photograph, videotape, or record, or copies thereof, of the activities of another which
- occur in any private place and out of public view without the consent of all personsobserved; or
- 757 (7) Any person to commit any other acts of a nature similar to those set out in758 paragraphs (1) through (6) of this Code section which invade the privacy of another.
- 759 16-11-63.
- (a) Other than law enforcement officers permitted by this part to employ such devices, it
 shall be unlawful for any person to possess, sell, offer for sale, or distribute any
 eavesdropping device.
- (b) An 'eavesdropping device' shall mean any instrument or apparatus which by virtue of
 its size, design, and method of operation has no normal or customary function or purpose
 other than to permit the user thereof secretly to intercept, transmit, listen to, or record
 private conversations of others.
- 767 16-11-64.
- (a) Application of part to law enforcement officers. Except only as provided in
 subsection (b) of this Code section, nothing in this part shall apply to a duly constituted law
 enforcement officer in the performance of his official duties in ferreting out offenders or
 suspected offenders of the law or in secretly watching a person suspected of violating the
 laws of the United States or of this state, or any subdivision thereof, for the purpose of
 apprehending such suspected violator.
- 774 (b) When in the course of his or her official duties, a law enforcement officer desiring to 775 make use of any device, but only as such term is defined in Code Section 16-11-60, and 776 such use would otherwise constitute a violation of Code Section 16-11-62, the law 777 enforcement official shall act in compliance with the provisions provided for in this part. 778 (c) Upon written application, under oath, of the district attorney having jurisdiction over 779 prosecution of the crime under investigation or the Attorney General made before a judge 780 of superior court having jurisdiction over the crime under investigation, such court may 781 issue an investigation warrant permitting the use of a device for the surveillance of a person 782 or place to the extent the same is consistent with and subject to the terms, conditions, and 783 procedures provided for by 18 U.S.C. Chapter 119. Such warrant shall have state-wide 784 application and interception of communications shall be permitted in any location in this 785 state. 786 (d) Evidence obtained in conformity with this part shall be admissible only in the courts
- 787 of this state having felony and misdemeanor jurisdiction.

788 (e) Defenses. A good faith reliance on a court order or legislative authorization shall
 789 constitute a complete defense to any civil or criminal action brought under this part or
 790 under any other law.

791 16-11-64.1.

792 Any district attorney having jurisdiction over the prosecution of the crime under 793 investigation or the Attorney General is authorized to make application for an order or an 794 extension of an order authorizing or approving the installation and use of a pen register or 795 a trap and trace device to a judge of the superior court of the same judicial circuit as the 796 district attorney, or, in the case of the Attorney General, in any judicial circuit; and such 797 court shall be authorized to enter an order authorizing the use of a pen register or a trap and 798 trace device, to the extent the same is consistent with and permitted by the laws of the 799 United States. Such order shall have state-wide application and the interception by use of 800 a pen register or trap and trace device shall be permitted in any location in this state.

801 16-11-64.2.

- 802 Any investigative or law enforcement officer, specially designated in writing for such
- 803 purpose by the Attorney General or by a district attorney, who reasonably determines that:
 804 (1) An emergency situation exists that involves:
- 805 (A) Immediate danger of death or serious bodily injury to any person; or

806 (B) Conspiratorial activities characteristic of organized crime

807 that requires the installation and use of a pen register or a trap and trace device before an

- 808 order authorizing such installation and use can, with due diligence, be obtained; and
- 809 (2) There are grounds upon which an order could be entered under the laws of the United
- 810 States to authorize such installation and use
- 811 may have installed and use a pen register or trap and trace device if, within 48 hours of the
- 812 time the pen register or trap and trace device is installed, an order approving the installation
- 813 or use is issued in accordance with Code Section 16-11-64.1.
- 814 16-11-64.3.
- 815 (a) Notwithstanding any other provision of this part, in the event that the Attorney General
- 816 or a district attorney of the judicial circuit having jurisdiction over the emergency situation
- 817 described herein or where the observation, monitoring, or recording of the activities of any
- 818 person may occur as provided in this subsection determines that:
- 819 (1) An emergency situation exists involving the immediate danger of death or serious
- 820 physical injury to any person;

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- (2) The said emergency situation requires the immediate interception of a wire, oral, or
 electronic communications or the immediate observation, monitoring, or recording of the
 activities of any person involved in said emergency situation in violation of the
 provisions of Code Section 16-11-62 before an order authorizing such interception or
 surveillance can, with due diligence, be obtained; and
- 826 (3) There are grounds upon which an investigation warrant pursuant to Code Section
 827 16-11-64 could be issued,
- then any investigative or law enforcement officer specifically designated by the prosecuting
 official making such determination may utilize any device as defined in Code Section
 16-11-60 to intercept the wire, oral, or electronic communications or to observe, monitor,
 or record the activities of the person or persons involved in said emergency situation,
 provided that an application for an investigation warrant is made pursuant to Code Section
 16-11-64 within 48 hours after said interception or surveillance commences.
- (b) In the event that an application for an investigation warrant made pursuant to this Code
 section is granted, then the interception or surveillance shall be conducted in accordance
 with the provisions of Code Section 16-11-64, except that said interception or surveillance
 shall continue only so long as the emergency situation exists.
- 838 (c) In the event that an application for an investigation warrant made pursuant to this Code 839 section is denied or in any event where the interception or surveillance is terminated 840 without an investigation warrant having been issued, the contents of any intercepted 841 communications or other surveillance effected pursuant to this Code section shall not be 842 admissible in any court of this state except to prove violations of this part. The contents 843 of any such intercepted communications or other surveillance effected pursuant to this 844 Code section without an investigation warrant having been issued shall be confidential and 845 shall not be disclosed except to prove violations of this part.

846 16-11-65. <u>16-11-64.</u>

(a) Nothing contained within Code Section 16-11-62 shall prohibit the employment and 847 use of any equipment or device which is owned by any person or is furnished by any 848 849 telephone company authorized to do business in this state under proper tariffs filed with 850 and approved by the Georgia Public Service Commission which may be attached to any telephonic equipment of any user of or subscriber to such equipment which permits the 851 852 interception of telephonic communications solely for the purposes of business service 853 improvement when the user of or subscriber to such facilities and equipment has duly applied for and obtained from the Georgia Public Service Commission a license for the 854 855 employment and installation of the equipment. No license shall be issued until the 856 applicant has demonstrated to the commission a clear, apparent, and logically reasonable

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need for the use of the equipment in connection with a legitimate business activity of the 857 user or subscriber and demonstrated to the satisfaction of the commission that it will be 858 859 operated by persons of good moral character and that the equipment will be used in a lawful manner and in conformity with the tariffs filed for the equipment. The commission 860 is authorized to establish the necessary procedures to be employed and followed in 861 applying for such permits and to require from the user or subscriber of such equipment the 862 furnishing of any reasonable information required by the commission in regard to the 863 intended and actual use of the equipment. 864

(b) The Georgia Public Service Commission is authorized to revoke any license and to 865 order any owner of such equipment or any telephone company supplying such equipment 866 to remove from the premises of the licensee the equipment when it is established to the 867 satisfaction of the commission that the equipment is being used in an unlawful manner 868 contrary to the tariff applicable to the equipment or in a manner contrary to the purposes 869 870 and uses for which the license had been issued. Such licenses may also be revoked by the 871 commission if it is subsequently discovered that a material misrepresentation of fact has been made in applying for the license. The commission is authorized to promulgate such 872 873 rules and regulations in connection with the licensing and revocation thereof of such users 874 of such equipment as will enable it to carry out the purposes, duties, and responsibilities 875 imposed upon the commission by this Code section. Such rules and regulations shall afford 876 to any aggrieved licensee an opportunity to a full and impartial hearing before the 877 commission. The commission shall further have the authority to adopt any and all 878 appropriate rules and regulations of any sort to ensure the privacy of telephonic and telegraphic communications. A violation of such rules and regulations shall be a violation 879 880 of this part.

(c) All telephone companies shall have printed in a conspicuously accessible location
within their directories a notice to the public that there is available without cost at the
business office of the telephone company served by the directory a list of subscribers of
such equipment which will be made available to any member of the general public
requesting the same from such companies.

(d) The provisions of this part shall not apply to acts by duly authorized employees of any 886 telephone company regulated by the Georgia Public Service Commission, with regard to 887 the reasonable and limited intercepting of telephone communications under circumstances 888 889 reasonably calculated to assure the privacy of telephone communications when such 890 interception is accomplished solely for the purpose of maintaining the quality of service 891 furnished to the public or for the purpose of preventing the unlawful use of telephone 892 service. All such telephone companies shall adopt regulations and procedures consistent 893 with the requirements of this Code section governing the use of equipment which permits

the interception of telephone messages by their employees and file the same with the
commission. After being filed with the commission, such regulations and procedures shall
be public records.

897 16-11-66.

898 (a) Nothing in Code Section 16-11-62 shall prohibit a person from intercepting a wire,
 899 oral, or electronic communication where such person is a party to the communication or
 900 one of the parties to the communication has given prior consent to such interception.

- 901 (b) After obtaining the consent required by this subsection, the telephonic conversations 902 or electronic communications to which a child under the age of 18 years is a party may be recorded and divulged, and such recording and dissemination may be done by a private 903 904 citizen, law enforcement agency, or prosecutor's office. Nothing in this subsection shall 905 be construed to require that the recording device be activated by the child. Consent for the 906 recording or divulging of the conversations of a child under the age of 18 years conducted 907 by telephone or electronic communication shall be given only by order of a judge of a 908 superior court upon written application, as provided in subsection (c) of this Code section, 909 or by a parent or guardian of said child as provided in subsection (d) of this Code section.
- 910 Said recording shall not be used in any prosecution of the child in any delinquency or
- 911 criminal proceeding. An application to a judge of the superior court made pursuant to this
- 912 Code section need not comply with the procedures set out in Code Section 16-11-64.
- 913 (c) A judge to whom a written application has been made shall issue the order provided
- 914 by subsection (b) of this Code section only:
- 915 (1) Upon finding probable cause that a crime has been committed;
- 916 (2) Upon finding that the child understands that the conversation is to be recorded and
- 917 that such child agrees to participate; and

918 (3) Upon determining that participation is not harmful to such child.

919 A true and correct copy of the recording provided for in subsection (b) of this Code section

920 shall be returned to the superior court judge who issued the order and such copy of the

921 recording shall be kept under seal until further order of the court.

922 (d) The provisions of this article shall not be construed to prohibit a parent or guardian of 923 a child under 18 years of age, with or without the consent of such minor child, from 924 monitoring or intercepting telephonic conversations of such minor child with another 925 person by use of an extension phone located within the family home, or electronic or other 926 communications of such minor child from within the family home, for the purpose of 927 ensuring the welfare of such minor child. If the parent or guardian has a reasonable or 928 good faith belief that such conversation or communication is evidence of criminal conduct 929 involving such child as a victim or an attempt, conspiracy, or solicitation to involve such

- 930 child in criminal activity affecting the welfare or best interest of such child, the parent or guardian may disclose the content of such telephonic conversation or electronic 931 932 communication to the district attorney or a law enforcement officer. A recording or other 933 record of any such conversation or communication made by a parent or guardian in 934 accordance with this subsection that contains evidence of criminal conduct involving such 935 child as a victim or an attempt, conspiracy, or solicitation to involve such child in criminal 936 activity shall be admissible in a judicial proceeding except as otherwise provided in 937 subsection (b) of this Code section.
- 938 16-11-66.1.
- 939 (a) A law enforcement officer, a prosecuting attorney, or the Attorney General may require
 940 the disclosure of stored wire or electronic communications, as well as transactional records
 941 pertaining thereto, to the extent and under the procedures and conditions provided for by
 942 the laws of the United States.
- (b) A provider of electronic communication service or remote computing service shall
 provide the contents of, and transactional records pertaining to, wire and electronic
 communications in its possession or reasonably accessible thereto when a requesting law
 enforcement officer, a prosecuting attorney, or the Attorney General complies with the
- 947 provisions for access thereto set forth by the laws of the United States.
- 948 (c) Search warrants for production of stored wire or electronic communications and
 949 transactional records pertaining thereto shall have state-wide application or application as
 950 provided by the laws of the United States when issued by a judge with jurisdiction over the
 951 criminal offense under investigation and to which such records relate.
- 952 (d) A subpoena for the production of stored wire or electronic communications and
- 953 transactional records pertaining thereto may be issued at any time upon a showing by a law
- 954 enforcement official, a prosecuting attorney, or the Attorney General that the subpoenaed
- 955 material relates to a pending criminal investigation.
- 956 (e) Violation of this Code section shall be punishable as contempt.
- 957 16-11-67. <u>16-11-65.</u>
- 958 (a) No evidence obtained in a manner which violates this part shall be admissible in any
 959 court of this state except to prove violations of this part.
- 960 16-11-68.

961 (b) Nothing contained in this part shall permit the introduction into evidence of any
962 communication which is privileged by the laws of this state or by the decisions of the
963 appellate courts thereof.

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964 16-11-69. <u>16-11-66.</u>

965 Except as otherwise provided in subsection (d) of Code Section 16-11-66.1 16-11-67, any
966 person violating this part shall be guilty of a felony and, upon conviction thereof, shall be
967 punished by imprisonment for not less than one nor more than five years or a fine not to
968 exceed \$10,000.00, or both.

969 16-11-70. <u>16-11-67.</u>

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

971 (1) 'End user' means any person, corporation, partnership, firm, municipality,
 972 cooperative, organization, governmental agency, building owner, or other entity provided
 973 with a telecommunications service for its own consumption and not for resale.

974 (2)(1) 'Telephone record' means information retained by a telecommunications company that relates to the telephone number dialed by the customer, the number of telephone calls 975 976 directed to a customer, or other data related to the telephone calls typically contained on 977 a customer telephone bill, such as the time the calls started and ended, the duration of the calls, the time of day the calls were made, and any charges applied. For purposes of this 978 979 Code section, any information collected and retained by, or on behalf of, customers 980 utilizing caller identification or other similar technology does not constitute a telephone 981 record.

(3)(2) 'Telephone records broker' means any person or organization that is neither a
telecommunications company nor a vendor or supplier for a telecommunications
company obligated by contract to protect the confidentiality of telephone records and that
purchases, acquires, sells, or releases the telephone record of any third party with whom
it has no prior or existing business relationship or that attempts to purchase, acquire, sell,
or release the telephone record of any party with whom it has no prior or existing
business relationship.

(b) It is shall be unlawful for any telephone records broker to purchase, acquire, sell, or
release the telephone records of any person who is a Georgia resident or to attempt to
purchase, acquire, sell, or release the telephone record of any third party who is a Georgia
resident. This Code section applies shall apply whether the customer's telephone record
is obtained by the telephone records broker directly from a telecommunications company
or from any other third-party source. For purposes of this Code section, a person is a
Georgia resident if the individual has a Georgia billing address.

(c) A violation of any provision of this Code section shall be punishable by a civil fine in
an amount not to exceed \$10,000.00 for each violation. The prosecuting attorney or the
Attorney General shall be authorized to prosecute the civil case. Each telephone record

999 purchased, acquired, sold, or released and each attempt to purchase, acquire, sell, or release 1000 a telephone record constitutes a separate violation of this Code section. 1001 (d) Any violation of this Code section shall constitute a tort and shall create a right of 1002 action in the person or entity whose telephone records have been purchased, acquired, sold, 1003 or released for which damages may be recovered. Special damages may be inferred by the 1004 violation. Reasonable attorney's fees shall be awarded to the plaintiff where when the 1005 plaintiff has prevailed in the underlying action. 1006 (e) No provision of this Code section shall be construed to prevent any action by a law enforcement agency or any officer, employee, or agent of a law enforcement agency to 1007

obtain the telephone records or personal identifying information of any third party who is
a Georgia resident in connection with the performance of the official duties of the agency,
officer, employee, or agent."

PART III ARREST POWER OF INVESTIGATORS IN DISTRICT ATTORNEY AND SOLICITOR-GENERAL OFFICES SECTION 3-1.

1015 Chapter 18 of Title 15 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to prosecuting 1016 attorneys, is amended by revising subsection (c) of Code Section 15-18-21, relating to 1017 qualifications of attorneys and investigators employed by the district attorney, as follows:

1018 "(c) Any investigator employed by the district attorney's office and may, when authorized
1019 by the district attorney to and Article 4 of Chapter 11 of Title 16, carry weapons or to and

exercise any of the powers of a peace officer of this state. Such investigator shall meet the requirements of Chapter 8 of Title 35 and shall serve at the pleasure of the district attorney."

SECTION 3-2.
Said chapter is further amended by revising subsection (b) of Code Section 15-18-72, relating
to qualifications of personnel, as follows:

1026 "(b) Any investigator employed by the solicitor-general's office who is authorized by the
1027 solicitor-general and by Article 4 of Chapter 11 of Title 16, relating to firearms, to carry
1028 weapons or authorized by local law to may exercise any of the powers of a peace officer
1029 of this state. Such investigator shall meet the requirements of Chapter 8 of Title 35 and
1030 shall serve at the pleasure of the solicitor-general."

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1031	PART IV
1032	CROSS-REFERENCES
1033	SECTION 4-1.
1034	Code Section 2-2-11 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to inspection
1035	warrants, is amended by revising paragraph (1) as follows:
1036	''(1) The Commissioner commissioner or any person authorized to make inspections for
1037	the Commissioner commissioner shall make application for an inspection warrant to a
1038	person who is a judicial officer within the meaning of Code Section 17-5-21 as such term
1039	is defined in Code Section 17-5-1."
1040	SECTION 4-2.
1041	Code Section 12-2-2 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to the
1042	environmental protection division, is amended by revising paragraph (1) of subsection (d)
1043	as follows:
1044	''(1) The director or any person authorized to make inspections for the division shall
1045	make application for an inspection warrant to a person who is a judicial officer within the
1046	meaning of Code Section 17-5-21 as such term is defined in Code Section 17-5-1."
1047	SECTION 4-3.
1048	Code Section 15-18-15 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to the chief
1049	assistant district attorney, is amended by revising paragraph (2) of subsection (b) as follows:
1050	"(2) If the district attorney will be temporarily absent from the judicial circuit such that
1051	he or she is not available to perform the duties of his or her office, the district attorney
1052	may authorize, in writing, the chief assistant district attorney to exercise any of the
1053	powers, duties, and responsibilities of the district attorney during such absence, including
1054	but not limited to such powers and duties as the district attorney may have pursuant to
1055	this title, Code Section 16-11-64, and Code Section Sections 17-5-46 and 24-5-507, and
1056	the laws of this state relating to the validation of bonds."
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1057	SECTION 4-4.
1058	Title 16 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to crimes and offenses, is
1059	amended by revising subparagraph (b)(1)(A) of Code Section 16-9-109, relating to disclosure
1060	by service providers pursuant to investigation, as follows:
1061	"(A) Obtains a search warrant as provided in <u>Part 1 of</u> Article 2 of Chapter 5 of Title
1062	17;"

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1063	SECTION 4-5.
1064	Said title is further amended by revising paragraph (1) of subsection (s) of Code Section
1065	16-13-49, relating to forfeitures, as follows:
1066	"(1) The court may receive and consider, in making any determination of probable cause
1067	or reasonable cause, all evidence admissible in determining probable cause at a
1068	preliminary hearing or by a magistrate pursuant to Article 1 Part 1 of Article 2 of Chapter
1069	5 of Title 17, together with inferences therefrom;"
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1070	SECTION 4-6.
1071	Said title is further amended by revising paragraph (3) of subsection (c) of Code Section
1072	16-13-60, relating to privacy and confidentiality, as follows:
1073	"(3) To local, state, or federal law enforcement or prosecutorial officials pursuant to the
1074	issuance of a search warrant pursuant to <u>Part 1 of</u> Article 2 of Chapter 5 of Title 17; and"
1075	SECTION 4-7.
1076	Code Section 27-4-263 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to inspections,
1077	is amended by revising paragraph (1) of subsection (b) as follows:
1078	"(1) Any application for an inspection warrant shall be made to a person who is a judicial
1079	officer within the meaning of Code Section 17-5-21 as such term is defined in Code
1080	<u>Section 17-5-1;"</u>
1081	SECTION 4-8.
1082	Code Section 49-4-146.3 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to forfeiture
1083	of property and proceeds obtained through Medicaid fraud, is amended by revising paragraph
1084	(1) of subsection (s), as follow:
1085	"(1) The court may receive and consider, in making any determination of probable cause
1086	or reasonable cause, all evidence admissible in determining probable cause at a
1087	preliminary hearing or by a magistrate pursuant to Article 1 Part 1 of Article 2 of Chapter
1088	5 of Title 17, together with inferences therefrom; and"
1089	PART V
1090	CROSS-REFERENCE AND DELAYED EFFECTIVE DATE
1091	SECTION 5-1.
1092	Code Section 2-15-14 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to inspection of
1093	premises and warrant for inspection, is amended by revising paragraph (1) of subsection (b),
1094	as follows:
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1095	''(1) Any application for an inspection warrant shall be made to a person who is a judicial
1096	officer within the meaning of Code Section 17-5-21 as such term is defined in Code
1097	<u>Section 17-5-1;</u> "
1098	PART VI
1099	ENHANCING WITNESS IDENTIFICATION ACCURACY
1100	SECTION 6-1.
1101	Title 17 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to criminal procedure, is
1102	amended by adding a new chapter to read as follows:

- 1103 "<u>CHAPTER 20</u>
- 1104 <u>17-20-1.</u>
- 1105 <u>As used in this chapter, the term:</u>
- 1106 (1) 'Fillers' means individuals who are not suspects.
- (2) 'Law enforcement agency' means a governmental unit of one or more individuals
 employed full time or part time by the state, a state agency or department, or a political
 subdivision which performs as its principal function activities relating to preventing and
 detecting crime and enforcing state laws or local ordinances, employees of which unit are
- 1111 <u>authorized to make arrests for crimes while acting within the scope of their authority.</u>
- (3) 'Live lineup' means an identification procedure in which a suspect and fillers are
 displayed in person to a witness.
- 1114 (4) 'Photo lineup' means an identification procedure in which a photograph of a suspect 1115 and photographs of fillers are displayed to a witness, either in hard copy form or via
- 1115and photographs of fillers are displayed to a witness, either in hard copy form or via1116computer.
- 1117 (5) 'Showup' means an identification procedure in which a witness is presented with a
 1118 single individual.
- (6) 'Suspect' means the individual believed by law enforcement to be the possible
 perpetrator of an alleged crime.
- 1121 (7) 'Witness' means an individual who observes an alleged crime.
- <u>1122</u> <u>17-20-2.</u>
- 1123 (a) Not later than July 1, 2016, any law enforcement agency that conducts live lineups,
- 1124 photo lineups, or showups shall adopt written policies for using such procedures for the
- 1125 purpose of determining whether a witness identifies someone as the perpetrator of an
- 1126 <u>alleged crime.</u>

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1127	(b) Live lineup, photo lineup, and showup policies shall include the following:
1128	(1) With respect to a live lineup, having an individual who does not know the identity
1129	of the suspect conduct the live procedure;
1130	(2) With respect to a photo lineup, having an individual:
1131	(A) Who does not know the identity of the suspect conduct the photo lineup; or
1132	(B) Who knows the identity of the suspect use a procedure in which photographs are
1133	placed in folders, randomly shuffled, and then presented to the witness so that the
1134	individual conducting such procedure cannot physically see which photograph is being
1135	viewed by the witness until the procedure is complete;
1136	(3) Providing the witness with instruction that the perpetrator of the alleged crime may
1137	or may not be present in the live lineup or photo lineup;
1138	(4) Composing a live lineup or photo lineup so that the fillers generally resemble the
1139	witness's description of the perpetrator of the alleged crime;
1140	(5) Using a minimum of four fillers in a live lineup and a minimum of five fillers in a
1141	photo lineup; and
1142	(6) Having the individual conducting a live lineup, photo lineup, or showup seek and
1143	document, at the time that an identification of an individual or photograph is made, and
1144	in the witness's own words without necessarily referencing a numeric or percentage
1145	standard, a clear statement from the witness as to the witness's confidence level that the
1146	individual or photograph identified is the individual or photograph of the individual who
1147	committed the alleged crime.
1148	(c) All law enforcement agency written policies adopted pursuant to this Code section
1149	shall be subject to public disclosure and inspection notwithstanding any provision to the
1150	contrary in Article 4 of Chapter 18 of Title 50.
1151	<u>17-20-3.</u>
1152	The court may consider the failure to comply with the requirements of this chapter with
1153	respect to any challenge to an identification; provided, however, that such failure shall not
1154	mandate the exclusion of identification evidence."
1155	PART VII
1156	EFFECTIVE DATE, APPLICABILITY, AND REPEALER
1157	SECTION 7-1.
1158	(a) Except as provided in subsections (b) and (c) of this section, this Act shall become
1159	effective on July 1, 2015, and shall apply to all offenses that occur on and after that date.
1160	This Act shall not affect any investigation or prosecution for acts occurring before July 1,

- 1161 2015, and shall not act as an abatement of any such prosecutions. Any evidence obtained in
- accordance with the former provisions of Articles 1 and 2 of Chapter 5 of Title 17 and Part
- 1163 1 of Article 3 of Chapter 11 of Title 16 shall be admissible in any civil or criminal
- 1164 proceeding commenced on or after July 1, 2015.
- 1165 (b) Part V of this Act shall become effective only upon the effective date of a specific
- appropriation of funds for purposes of Chapter 15 of Title 2 as expressed in a line item of an
- 1167 appropriations Act enacted by the General Assembly.
- 1168 (c) Part VI of this Act shall become effective on July 1, 2016.
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SECTION 7-2.

1170 All laws and parts of laws in conflict with this Act are repealed.