House Bill 1102

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A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT

- 1 To amend Chapter 13 of Title 17 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to
- 2 criminal extradition, so as to provide for a determination by the Department of Public Safety
- 3 of whether persons with a terminated or completed sentence or term of sentence near
- 4 completion for a conviction are present in the United States illegally; to provide for reporting
- 5 of such persons to the Attorney General; to require the Attorney General to petition for a writ
- 6 to transfer such persons to a sanctuary state; to provide for conditions, procedures, and
- 7 limitations upon issuance of such writs; to provide for consent to a transfer by such persons;
- 8 to require transfer of such persons after issuance of a writ of transfer to a sanctuary state; to
- 9 provide for definitions; to provide for construction; to provide for related matters; to provide
- 10 for a short title; to repeal conflicting laws; and for other purposes.

BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF GEORGIA:

SECTION 1.

13 This Act shall be known and may be cited as the "Sanctuary State Deportation Act."

SECTION 2.

15 Chapter 13 of Title 17 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to criminal

16 extradition, is amended by adding a new article to read as follows:

17 "ARTICLE 3

- 18 17-13-60.
- 19 As used in this article, the term:
- 20 (1) 'Department' means the Department of Public Safety.
- 21 (2) 'Sanctuary state' means any state that has adopted a policy or practice which prohibits
- or restricts state officers or employees from communicating or cooperating with other
- 23 state or federal officials or state or federal law enforcement officers with regard to
- 24 reporting immigration status information while such state officer or employee is acting
- within the scope of his or her official duties.
- 26 (3) 'State officer or employee' means any elected or appointed official, supervisor or
- 27 managerial employee, contractor, agent, or certified peace officer acting on behalf of or
- in conjunction with a state government or a local governing body.
- 29 17-13-61.
- 30 (a) Every 30 days, the department shall query the criminal justice records of the Georgia
- 31 Crime Information Center for offenders with a completed or terminated sentence or whose
- 32 sentence will expire within the next 60 days and determine whether any such offenders are
- present in the United States illegally through a query to the Law Enforcement Support
- 34 Center of the United States Department of Homeland Security or other office or agency
- designated by the federal government.
- 36 (b) Every 30 days, the department shall provide a compiled list of offenders determined
- to be illegally present in the United States pursuant to subsection (a) of this Code section

38 to the Attorney General. No later than 30 days from receipt of such list, the Attorney 39 General shall file a complaint under oath before a judge of any court of record in this state 40 for each person on such list that sets forth the crime for which such person was sentenced, 41 the assertion that the such person is present in the United States illegally, and a request for issuance of a writ of transfer to a sanctuary state. 42 43 (c) Each person for whom a request for issuance of a writ of transfer to a sanctuary state 44 has been made pursuant to subsection (b) of this Code section shall be brought before the 45 court and informed of such request. A writ of transfer to a sanctuary state may be issued 46 upon a finding that such transfer is in the best interest of the health and well-being of such 47 person in relation to public safety; provided, however, that no such writ shall be issued 48 when such person has any pending criminal charges or has a sentence pending for a 49 criminal conviction in this state. If such person contests the issuance of a writ of transfer 50 to a sanctuary state, he or she shall be provided with an opportunity to apply for a writ of 51 habeas corpus. When a writ of habeas corpus is applied for, notice thereof, and of the time 52 and place of hearing thereon, shall be given to the Attorney General. Any person brought 53 before the court pursuant to this subsection may consent to a writ of transfer to a sanctuary 54 state by executing or subscribing, in the presence of the judge, a writing which states he or 55 she consents to a transfer to a sanctuary state. 56 (d) If and when a writ for transfer to a sanctuary state has been issued pursuant to this 57 Code section, it shall be forwarded to the office of the Governor. Upon the issuance of a 58 writ of transfer for a person, the judge shall direct the department to immediately transfer 59 any such person with a completed or terminated sentence or to transfer any such person 60 upon completion of his or her sentence to a sanctuary state.

- 61 <u>17-13-62.</u>
- 62 (a) Nothing in this article shall constitute a waiver by this state of its right, power, or
- privilege to try a person transferred to a sanctuary state for crimes committed within this

state or of its right, power, or privilege to regain custody of the person by extradition

- 65 proceedings or otherwise for the purpose of trial, sentence, or punishment for any crime
- 66 committed within this state; nor shall any proceedings had under this article that result in,
- or fail to result in, transfer to a sanctuary state be deemed a waiver by this state of any of
- its rights, privileges, or jurisdiction in any way whatsoever.
- 69 (b) Nothing in this article shall be considered a banishment from the entirety of this state
- or prohibit a person transferred upon issuance of a writ of transfer to a sanctuary state from
- 71 <u>lawfully returning to this state.</u>
- 72 17-13-63.
- Any lawful actions taken pursuant to this article to transfer offenders illegally present in
- 74 <u>the United States shall not be construed as human trafficking in violation of Code Section</u>
- 75 16-5-46, kidnapping in violation of Code Section 16-5-40, or false imprisonment in
- violation of Code Section 16-5-41."
- 77 SECTION 3.
- All laws and parts of laws in conflict with this Act are repealed.