

House Bill 256

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A BILL TO BE ENTITLED
AN ACT

1 To amend Article 2 of Chapter 13 of Title 16 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated,
2 relating to the regulation of controlled substances, so as to provide that certain persons shall
3 be allowed to possess such substances only while in the usual course of business or
4 employment; to provide for conformity with the Equal Protection Clauses of the Constitution
5 of the United States and the Constitution of this state; to provide for related matters; to repeal
6 conflicting laws; and for other purposes.

7 BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF GEORGIA:

8 **SECTION 1.**

9 Article 2 of Chapter 13 of Title 16 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to the
10 regulation of controlled substances, is amended by revising subsection (c) of Code Section
11 16-13-30.5, relating to the possession of substances with intent to use or convey such
12 substances for the manufacture of Schedule I or Schedule II controlled substances, as
13 follows:

14 "(c) This Code section shall not apply where possession was by a person authorized by law
15 to dispense, prescribe, manufacture, or possess the substance in question if he or she is
16 acting in the usual course of his or her business or employment."

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18 **SECTION 2.**

19 All laws and parts of laws in conflict with this Act are repealed.