

Senate Bill 125

By: Senators Butler of the 55th, Parent of the 42nd, Jones of the 10th, Davenport of the 44th,  
Harrell of the 40th and others

A BILL TO BE ENTITLED  
AN ACT

1 To amend Article 2 of Chapter 4 of Title 17 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated,  
2 relating to arrest by law enforcement officers generally, so as to prohibit officers from using  
3 kinetic impact projectiles in the use of force; to provide for related matters; to repeal  
4 conflicting laws; and for other purposes.

5 BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF GEORGIA:

6 **SECTION 1.**

7 Article 2 of Chapter 4 of Title 17 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to  
8 arrest by law enforcement officers generally, is amended by revising subsection (d) of Code  
9 Section 17-4-20, relating to authorization of arrests with and without warrants generally, use  
10 of deadly force, adoption or promulgation of conflicting regulations, policies, ordinances,  
11 and resolutions, and authority of nuclear power facility security officer, as follows:

12 "(d) In response to a protest or demonstration or for any other purpose, no sheriff or peace  
13 officer who is appointed or employed in conformity with Chapter 8 of Title 35 shall  
14 discharge kinetic impact projectiles in any manner upon any person. No law enforcement  
15 agency of this state or of any political subdivision of this state shall adopt or promulgate  
16 any rule, regulation, or policy which prohibits a peace officer from using that degree of

17 ~~force to apprehend a suspected felon which is allowed by the statutory and case law of this~~  
18 ~~state."~~

19 **SECTION 2.**

20 All laws and parts of laws in conflict with this Act are repealed.