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House Bill 743

By: Representative Yates of the 73rd

A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT

- 1 To amend Article 1 of Chapter 2 of Title 20 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated,
- 2 relating to the State Board of Education, so as to require the State Board of Education to
- 3 issue a general educational development (GED) diploma to an individual who has received
- 4 a GED diploma issued by the armed forces of the United States; to require that such a GED
- 5 diploma be recognized as equivalent to any other GED diploma; to repeal conflicting laws;
- 6 and for other purposes.

7 BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF GEORGIA:

8 SECTION 1.

- 9 Article 1 of Chapter 2 of Title 20 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to the
- 10 State Board of Education, is amended by adding a new Code section to read as follows:
- 11 "<u>20-2-21.</u>
- 12 The State Board of Education shall, upon application, issue a general educational
- development (GED) diploma to an individual who has received a GED diploma issued by
- any branch of the armed forces of the United States. Such a GED diploma shall be
- 15 recognized as equivalent to any other state issued GED diploma. The State Board of
- 16 Education is authorized to make such rules and regulations that are necessary to implement
- 17 this Code section."

18 SECTION 2.

19 All laws and parts of laws in conflict with this Act are repealed.