

Senate Bill 247

By: Senators McLaurin of the 14th, Payne of the 54th, Butler of the 55th, Cowser of the 46th, Ginn of the 47th and others

A BILL TO BE ENTITLED
AN ACT

1 To amend Code Section 44-1-13 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to
2 removal of improperly parked cars or trespassing personal property, concurrent jurisdiction,
3 procedure, automatic surveillance prohibited, and penalty, so as to prohibit a towing and
4 storage firm from placing an instrument designed to restrict movement of a motor vehicle on
5 a motor vehicle in an unauthorized location; 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 Code Section 44-1-13 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to removal of
10 improperly parked cars or trespassing personal property, concurrent jurisdiction, procedure,
11 automatic surveillance prohibited, and penalty, is amended by adding a new subsection to
12 read as follows:

13 “(g) It shall be unlawful and punishable by a fine of \$1,000.00 for any towing and storage
14 firm, permitted or unpermitted, licensed or unlicensed, to install or attach to any vehicle
15 which is not authorized to be at the location where it is found any immobilization device,

16 boot, or other instrument that is designed or intended to restrict the normal movement of
17 such vehicle."

18 **SECTION 2.**

19 All laws and parts of laws in conflict with this Act are repealed.