

Senate Bill 481

By: Senators Jackson of the 41st, Harper of the 7th, Mullis of the 53rd, Jones II of the 22nd, Summers of the 13th and others

A BILL TO BE ENTITLED
AN ACT

1 To amend Chapter 23 of Title 2 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, related to the
2 "Georgia Hemp Farming Act," so as to allow persons convicted of any misdemeanor or a
3 felony not related to a state or federally controlled substance within ten years of the
4 application date to grow industrial hemp; to repeal conflicting laws; and for other purposes.

5 BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF GEORGIA:

6 style="text-align:center">**SECTION 1.**

7 Chapter 23 of Title 2 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, related to the "Georgia
8 Hemp Farming Act," is amended by revising paragraph (3) of subsection (c) of
9 Code Section 2-23-5, related to limitations for hemp licensing, as follows:

10 "(3) No license shall be issued to any applicant who has been convicted of a
11 ~~misdemeanor involving sale of or trafficking in a controlled substance or a felony related~~
12 to a state or federally controlled substance within ten years of the date of application or
13 who materially falsifies any information contained in a license application."

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SECTION 2.

15 Said chapter is further amended by revising paragraph (3) of subsection (c) of
16 Code Section 2-23-6, related to limitations for hemp permitting, as follows:

17 "(3) No permit shall be issued to any applicant who has been convicted of a ~~misdemeanor~~
18 ~~involving sale of or trafficking in a controlled substance or a felony~~ related to a state or
19 federally controlled substance within ten years of the date of application or who
20 materially falsifies any information contained in a license application."

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SECTION 3.

22 All laws and parts of laws in conflict with this Act are repealed.