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Dear Mr. Rankin –

Georgia is one of a half-dozen states that assert copyright over their state laws. The official code is only available from the publisher for \$378 for state residents, more for those not in the state. There is a pretty awful free version on-line, but the terms of use prohibit any non-profit or for-profit group from making a copy and republishing the state laws in a more usable format.

My nonprofit organization has scanned the official code and also has a full set of text files for the code which we're publishing. We're sending a George Washington thumb drive with a copy of the code and a letter of notice to the state house.

Let me know if you'd like to see a copy of the letter.

Best regards,

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