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GTLA Applauds Governor Deal for Taking a Stand for Georgia's Seniors

ATLANTA, GA – Today, Governor Nathan Deal signed [House Bill 78](#) into law. Legislation that expands protections for Georgia's Seniors and strengthens elder abuse reporting requirements, this Bill was sponsored by House Judiciary Committee Chairman Wendell Willard.

“At a time when some under the Gold Dome were touting legislation that would have undermined the safety and care of our senior citizens, and especially those having to be admitted to nursing homes, it is extremely encouraging to see the overwhelming support for a bill to protect Georgia's Seniors,” remarked Georgia Trial Lawyers Association President Jay Sadd. **“Governor Deal and Chairman Willard, as well as Legislative Leadership and the vast majority of the General Assembly, should be commended for taking this courageous stand on behalf of our state's senior citizens. Because of their accomplishment, our Seniors will rest easier knowing that the steps outlined in this legislation will significantly strengthen law enforcement's ability to prosecute those who would harm our most vulnerable and revered Georgians.”**

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