

House Bill 1019

By: Representative Greene of the 158th

A BILL TO BE ENTITLED
AN ACT

To amend an Act creating the Board of Commissioners of Clay County, approved February 16, 1953 (Ga. L. 1953, Jan.-Feb. Sess., p. 2326), as amended, so as to provide new commissioner districts for the election of members of the board of commissioners; to provide for definitions and inclusions; to provide for submission of this Act for approval under the federal Voting Rights Act of 1965, as amended; to provide for effective dates; to repeal conflicting laws; and for other purposes.

BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF GEORGIA:

SECTION 1.

An Act creating the Board of Commissioners of Clay County, approved February 16, 1953 (Ga. L. 1953, Jan.-Feb. Sess., p. 2326), as amended, is amended by striking Section 1 of said Act and inserting in its place the following:

"SECTION 1.

(a) For purposes of electing members of the board of commissioners, Clay County is divided into five commissioner districts. The five commissioner districts shall be and correspond to those five numbered districts described in and attached to and made a part of this Act and further identified as Plan Name: claywk1 Plan Type: Local User: Tara Administrator: Clay Co.

(b) When used in such attachment, the terms 'Tract' and 'BG' (Block Group) shall mean and describe the same geographical boundaries as provided in the report of the Bureau of the Census for the United States decennial census of 2000 for the State of Georgia. The separate numeric designations in a Tract description which are underneath a 'BG' heading shall mean and describe individual Blocks within a Block Group as provided in the report of the Bureau of the Census for the United States decennial census of 2000 for the State of Georgia. Any part of Clay County which is not included in any such district described in that attachment shall be included within that district contiguous to such part which contains

1 the least population according to the United States decennial census of 2000 for the State
2 of Georgia. Any part of Clay County which is described in that attachment as being in a
3 particular district shall nevertheless not be included within such district if such part is not
4 contiguous to such district. Such noncontiguous part shall instead be included within that
5 district contiguous to such part which contains the least population according to the United
6 States decennial census of 2000 for the State of Georgia. Except as otherwise provided in
7 the description of any commissioner district, whenever the description of such district
8 refers to a named city, it shall mean the geographical boundaries of that city as shown on
9 the census map for the United States decennial census of 2000 for the State of Georgia."

10 **SECTION 2.**

11 It shall be the duty of the attorney of the Board of Commissioners of Clay County to submit
12 this Act for approval pursuant to Section 5 of the federal Voting Rights Act of 1965, as
13 amended.

14 **SECTION 3.**

15 This section and Section 2 of this Act and those provisions of this Act necessary for the
16 election of members of the Board of Commissioners of Clay County in 2002 shall become
17 effective upon the approval of this Act by the Governor or upon its becoming law without
18 such approval. The remaining provisions of this Act shall become effective January 1, 2003.

19 **SECTION 4.**

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